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SUDDEN FLARE-UP IN HONGKONG HARBOUR

British Planes Go Into Action Against Suicide Boats

Jap Official Surrender Ceremony To-day On U. S. Battleship

LONDON, August 31, (Reuter).

The orderly occupation of Japan and her overseas' conquests was abruptly broken today when British naval planes went into action in a brief flare-up at Hongkong.

A large number of what an official statement at the Pacific Fleet headquarters described as "suicide boats" (presumably motorboats loaded with explosives and steered into their targets) were observed in the area and then made a sudden attempt to escape.

Aircraft from one of the British carriers present swept into the air and the stutter of machine guns and explosion of bombs were heard again over Hongkong as they chased the fleeing craft. One was sunk, one beached and the third gave up the attempt and returned to the harbour.

The incident occurred after a strong British naval force which entered Hongkong harbour yesterday had seized the dockyard and ejected all Japanese including naval and military commanders.

It is stated that the British commander, Admiral Harcourt, will shortly meet the local Japanese commander to discuss arrangements for maintaining order and surrender measures.

Two thousand miles to the north, Robert Reuben, Reuter's Special Correspondent in Tokyo, reported to-day that the charred capital of the homeland had been placed out of bounds to American troops. None, he said,

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NOTICE

Tuesday September 4 being Parsi New Year Day, the office of the "Bombay Chronicle" will remain closed. There will, therefore, be no issue of the paper on Wednesday.

LASKI NOT TO VISIT INDIA

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 31. (Reuter). Prof Harold Laski, Chairman of the British Labour Party, told Reuter today that there was absolutely no truth in the report that he was planning a visit to India to study the constitutional issues there. He commented "this is the first time I heard of any such thing."

CHINA'S CLAIM TO HONG KONG

(From Our Correspondent.)

CHUNGKING, August 31. The Chinese newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" claims Britain should hand over to China, Hong Kong and Kowloon.

It adds when Hong Kong was in trouble China rushed to the rescue "but when Japanese surrendered Chinese are willing to let the British be there first. An old Chinese proverb says: 'Virtues first; profits secondary'."

Chinese Premier In Canada

OTTAWA, Aug. 31. (U.P.A.) The Office of the Prime Minister announced today that Chinese Premier T. V. Soong will arrive during the day to discuss various matters of mutual interest with the Government of Canada. Soong will fly back to Washington on Sunday.

Chinese Red Army Captures Shansi

YENAN, SHENSI PROVINCE, CHINA Aug. 31. (U.P.A.) The Chinese, Soviet Government announced today that the Red Eighth Route Army has captured the city of Fenyang, at a cost of fifty officers and men killed by poison gas used by the Japanese defenders.

100 KILLED IN ITALIAN EXPLOSION

ROME, August 31. (Reuter): More than 100 casualties were feared to-day from an ammunition train explosion three miles south of Ancona on the Adriatic coast, Central Italy.

Travellers' smoking on the ammunition train is thought to be the cause of the explosion which destroyed six waggons and caused extensive damage to nearby property.

This explosion was the latest in a series which coincided with a wave of pilfring at ammunition dumps by Italians. The attraction is the silk in which the charges are wrapped which fetches high prices in the black market.

Trouble In Kashmir Village

SRINAGAR, Aug. 31. (U.P.I.) Anantnag, a town 30 miles from Srinagar, witnessed a ritous scene yesterday when a altercation took place between some Sadhus and the local Muslims, says a report received here.

It is stated that some Sadhus wanted to stay behind the Nagbal Hindu shrine on the hillside. The Muslims having raised objections to it collected in large numbers and beat the Sadhus on the plea that the place was a grave yard.

A strong rainforcement was sent to Anantnag and the situation was brought under control.

Three Indian girls who were in vited by Her Majesty the Quee at Buckingham Palace on August 24 to visit the Royal farm a Windsor. (Left to right) are Junior Commanders Teaslim Aziz and Omir Sen and Subaltern Das Gupta. Subaltern Gupta's desire is to run a farm of her own when she returns to her home in Bengal.

NON-LEAGUE MUSLIMS TO MOBILISE

Unity Board To Be Formed To Fight Ensuing Elections

NEW DELHI, August 31, (U. P. I.): The "United Press" understands that a meeting of all Muslim organisations outside the Muslim League will be held in Delhi in the middle of September when a Unity Board will be formed to fight the elections. The meeting will also decide whether they should contest the election to the Central Assembly.

TO FIGHT LEAGUE

It is understood that non-League Muslim organisations have already decided to put up candidates against the Muslim League to contest the elections to the Provincial Legislatures.

Keep Away From "Reds"

NEW DELHI, Aug. 31. (A.P.I.) Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru addressed a group of Students' Congress workers prior to his departure for Allahabad last night and asked them to organise the student community and work for the freedom of the counttry He is understood to have advised them to keep aloof from the Communist students

The students presented a purse of Rs. 1,131/8 to Pt. Nehru for the Kamala Nehru Memorial Hospital.

WARDHAGANJ, Aug. 31. (U.P.A.) The District Magistrate of Wardha has withdrawn the Defence of India Rule 56 from the District and the ban on political meetings and processions has now been lifted.

NO NEW PLAN FOR INDIA

Wavell's Consultations With Br. Cabinet Reach More Conclusive Stage

LONDON, August 31 (U.P.A.): The "Yorkshire Post", said to-day that Viscount Wavell has given his general view on the situation in India following the breakdown of the Simla conversations.

The subject was discussed at yesterday's cabinet meeting, the newspaper said, and by this week-end it is hoped that the consultations will have reached a more conclusive stage. There are no signs, however that the Viceroy nas any fresh proposals or that the Government is hatching any new plan.

Ceylon Delegates See Wavell

Viscount Wavell today granted an audience to H. M. Desai and G. R. Metha, president and secretary of a delegation of Ceylon Indians who arrived here this week to make representations to the British Government.

The Ceylon Indian leaders presented to the Viceroy the viewpoint of the Indian communities in the Island about proposed political reforms.

Meantime it was understood that the report of the Soulbury Commission with regard to Ceylon already has been submitted to the Colonial Office although it has not been made public.

Messrs. Desai and Metha appeared gratified after their audience with the Viceroy. Desai said that Lord Wavell was helpful and sympathetic.

Syed Hussain For India

WASHINGTON, August 30 (U. P. A.): It is reliably reported that Syed Hussain plans to return to India to carry on election campaigns on behalf of nationalist Muslims despite his long friendship with the Muslim League president, M. A. Jinnah.

It is also understood that Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit is planning to fly back to India and nationalist circles here said that due to her prominent work throughout the United States, especially in San Francisco at the time of the United Nations Conference, it is considered that her chances of election are extremely good.

British Plans For Southeast Asia

LONDON, August 31 (U.P.A.): It is larned that Sir Harold MacMichael, former British High Commissioner in Palestine, will be appointed to arrange treaties with various native groups in south-east Asia to govern British native relations after the initial British Military Adminstration ends.

MacMichael is known as a man with an iron hand in a velvet glove He spent much of his career in the Sudan where he wrote scholarly works on Arabian and Sudanese problems.

Communists Clash With Congress Workers

Fifty Injured At City Meeting: Police Disperse Gathering

Nearly 50 persons were injured when there was a clash at a public meeting held under the auspices of the F. Ward Congress Committee at Teju Kaya Park, Parel, on Friday evening.

Mr. Shankarrao Deo, Member of the Congress Working Committee, was addressing an audience of over 5,000, comprising mostly the labour population in Bombay's mill area.

The speaker went on undisturbed for about 20 minutes, narrating the various aspects of the duties of a Congressman and elucidating Congress policy; but when he dilated upon international politics and condemned the Big Three, for not being true to their slogan of fighting for world democracy a mild breeze ensued between a member of the audience and the speaker. The intruder however resumed his seat. But when the speaker referred to the Soviet leader Stalin and said that the Anglo-Soviet Pact should be scraped, he could not proceed due to the heckling and booing by a large section in the centre of the assemblage.

Before the newspaper reporters were able to grasp what was coming next two parties of volunteers with lathis, stones and other missiles rushed at each other. A melee then ensued and several of the audience ran for safety.

Women took shelter on the upper storeys of adjoining buildings.

Police officers armed with revolvers came on the scene and dispersed the crowd. About 50 persons had received injuries.

CAUSE OF TROUBLE.

Inquiries made by the 'Chronicle' representative showed that even before the meeting commenced there

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DEMAND FOR HEAD OF QUISLING

OSLO, August 31. (Reuter): Death sentence on Abraham Vidkun Quisling was demanded to-day by public prosecutor Arnaus Schjoedt when he concluded the case against the former puppet Premier of Norway in the Oslo treason trial.

M. Schjoedt described Quisling's betrayal of his country to the Germans as "the most horrible and despicable crime of all."

Central Govt. Trifurcates Jogendra Singh's Department

Future Of Civil Supplies Portfolio: Noon's Charge To Be Abolished

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, August 31.

As anticipated earlier, the Department of Education, Health and Lands will be trifurcated into Agriculture, Health and Education on September 1. Sir Pheroz Kharegat will be Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Oulsnam of Health and Doctor Sargent of Education Department, all of which will for the present function under Sir Jogendra Singh.

The proposal to split up the Industries and Civil Supplies Department may take a little time. Under this proposal Civil Sapplies will be merged with the Commerce Department and Industries Department.

The Defence Department is expected to be abolished as such after Sir Ferozkhan Noon leaves the Government of India on September 16. The portfolio will be distributed among the War and Home Departments and the War Department is likely to resume the old name of Defence Department. These changes, however are likely to take place after Lord Wavell's return to India.

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WAVELL SKIPS FIRST HURDLE

Labour To Disclose Plans For India Next Week

LONDON, August 31 (A.P.A.): The first stage of the Wavell discussions is over, it was learned tonight.

Lord Wavell has completed his preliminary talks with Lord Pethick-Lawrence, Secretary of State for India, Ministers of the new Government and also experts who have been called in.

It is reliably learned that the talks will reach a concusive stage towards the end of next week and that the Labour Government will be able to convey to the Viceroy the line of policy it desires him to take on India.

If any action is to be taken, it is understood that such action will take place after the results of the general Elections in India and that when he returns to India after the first half of September, the Viceroy will carry on with his present Executive Council.

STOP PRESS

MORE JAPS SURRENDER

MOSCOW, August 31 (Reuter): Another 23,000 Japanese have surrendered to the Russians in Manchuria, to-night's Soviet Communique reveals These include 20 Generals.

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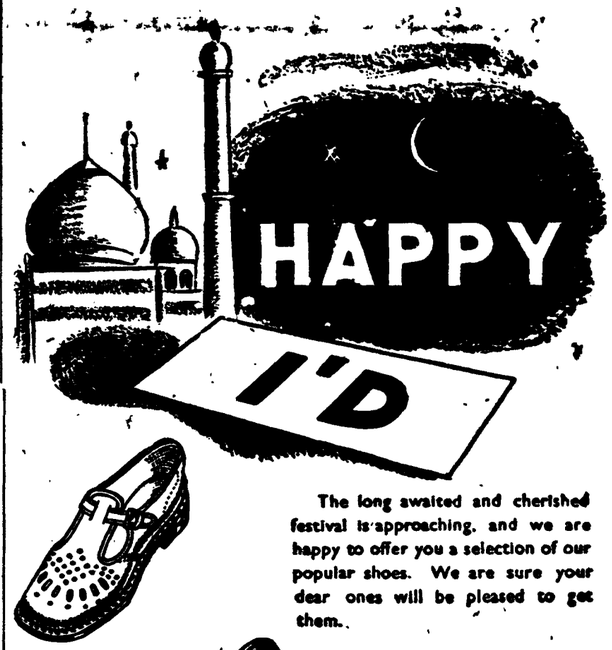

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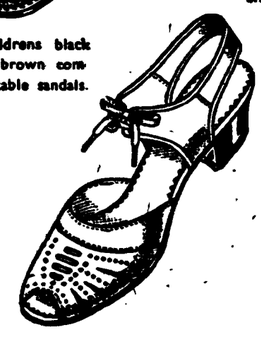

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Posers For Pakistanis

Vague Theories No Substitute For Clearly Worked-Out Blue-Prints, Says Asaf Ali

SRINAGAR, August 30 (A.P.I.)—The assurance that the Nationalist Muslims have a complete blue-print, which will secure not merely the fullest autonomy to the Muslim majority provinces but will also secure every conceivable safeguard for the Muslims in the Hindu provinces and in the Federal Government is given by Mr. Asaf Ali, Member, Congress Cabinet.

Mr. Asaf Ali says:

As the electioneering campaign develops the Pakistan controversy will assume ever larger proportions.

I earnestly hope that the Indian Muslims will not be carried away by mere slogans but will demand a clear definite and detailed statement from the propagandists of Pakistan about:

(1) The proposed constitution of the so-called Pakistan areas which has not seen the light of the day since 1930 although it is promised by the Lahore Resolution; and

(2) A full list of material benefits expected to accrue from the proposed separation of Pakistan from India.

Crores of Muslims permanently living in the Hindu majority provinces cannot afford to think in terms of far off Pakistan. They should formulate their demands as a minority and seek constitutional safeguards for their vital interests.

In the absence of anything definite in the shape of a draft constitution as contemplated by the Lahore Resolution, I do not see how the electorate can intelligently appreciate the implications and consequences of a vague term.

COUNTER TO MODERN CURRENTS

Whichever way one may look at it, one cannot see how stable sovereign states can be established in the north-west, and the north-east without fully satisfying the powerful minorities, which reside in these areas. Nor has it ever been made clear how these sovereign states can function in the modern world without entering into treaties with the neighbouring States.

By the time these treaties have been concluded with Hindustan, the final situation cannot be very much different to what it is bound to be fully autonomous provinces agree to accede to Federal India.

ECONOMIC QUESTIONS

Leaving aside for the moment the vital economic questions whose complexity cannot be lightly brushed aside, I wonder how the advocates of Pakistan view the question of the Muslim proportion in all India services and how they propose to absorb a considerable number of Muslims, who cannot find place in all India services after the separation of the north-west region which naturally includes the Punjab in the fighting services. The Punjab will require something like twelve crores a year in normal times and will have to find much more to maintain the armies for the defence of the north-eastern Pakistan alone. And Bengal will have to find an equally big or even bigger amount for its executive and defence services.

STANDARD OF LIFE

Again the question of industrialisation is a very big one and, without a guarantee of stability, these areas will find it next to impossible to attract capital from 'Hindustan' and therefore, I do not find it easy to understand how the general standard of life will be raised in Pakistan.

BENGAL PROBLEM

Bengal is one of the most thickly populated parts of the world and within a short time its overflow of population will need expansion. By what scheme the advocates of Pakistan propose to meet such a contingency requires some explaining.

VAGUE THEORIES

No indication of the recommendations of the Pakistan Planning Committee is available and the masses of the poor Muslim peasants, labourers, artisans and even lower grade public servants and masses of unemployed have a right to know by what scheme and policy their poverty and wretched conditions will be improved. Vague theories can be no substitutes for clearly worked out blue-prints. I have touched upon only a very few out of a host of vital questions, which every Muslim has a right to know before voting for Pakistan. The preaching of hatred may rouse passions to a high pitch and may cloud the judgment of many, but momentary passions will not solve the questions, which have to be answered in a practical way.

The Nationalist Muslims have a complete blue-print, which will secure not merely the fullest autonomy to the Muslim majority provinces but will also secure every conceivable safeguard for the Muslims in the Hindu majority provinces and in the Federal Government.

The Muslims have to decide whether their best interest will be served by sharing the full benefits of the entire country's rich resources or by being deprived of them.

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12,000 CALCUTTA RICKSHAWS IDLE

CALCUTTA, August 31 (A.P.A.): Calcutta's more than 12,000 rickshaws were idle today in a strike which paralysed the city's principal form of short-distance travel.

The rickshw-pullers are striking for a reduction of the charge of three rupees a day for renting rickshaws from the owners. They contend the rental leaves little profit for themselves.

Casey To Meet Pethick-Lawrence

CALCUTTA, August 31 (A.P.A.): Mr. Richard Casey, Governor of Bengal, who is to visit the United Kingdom on leave, said today that he would during his stay in Britain, meet Lord Pethick-Lawrence, the Secretary of State for India.

Mr. Casey, who will be accompanied by his wife, will leave on September 9, and will return to India by about October 9.

Munshi On "Karma Yoga"

Shri Krishna Jayanti was celebrated on Friday evening by Bharatya Vidya Bhavan at its premises at Harvey Road when Mr. K. M. Munshi explained the significance of Bhagwad Gita as applied to modern life. Bhajans from Gita were sung on the occasion.

Mr. Munshi observed that "perfection in action" was Gita's message. The fundamental thesis of Bhagwad Gita was hat life was in deeds and not mere meditation renunciation. No one could remain inactive nor could any one repress action born of one's temperament. The problem was what was appropriate action and what was inappropriate. It required strenuous training to distinguish between the two. The only way of perfection was to concentrate on the act itself and not on its results. The late Mrs. Annie Besant and Mahatma Gandhi were examples of persons who in their slightest action had been perfect. This was real 'Karma Yoga.'

FIRST CASE OF PLAGUE IN NASIK

NASIK, August 31 (A.P.I.): The first case of plague in Nasik city occurred yesterday, when an errand boy, who is believed to have caught the disease at Nasik Road, was removed to the civil hospital. The latest report from Satpur said that within three days there were 14 attacks and three deaths from plague in the village.

Mr. Homi Guzdar Honoured

OPTICIANS PRESENT ADDRESS & CASKET

The Association of the opticians of the Presidency of Bombay honoured its President Mr. Homi N. Guzdar, Managing Director of Baliwalla & Homi, Ltd., with address and presentation of a Casket at a Function held on previous Sunday at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute Building in J. J. Modi Hall. Mr. Amritlal K. Seth, the Editor of "Janma Bhoomi", presided on the occasion.

The meritorious services rendered by Mr. Homi Guzdar to the Optical Profession and the Association and the Spectacles wearing public were very much appreciated and praised by several members of the profession and public.

Messages of congratulations and presentations of Flowers were showered upon Mr. Guzdar, who thanking them and others who had uttered kind words of appreciation for his many valuable services rendered to the Optical profession replied them in suitable words. President Mr. Seth in his short speech whilst congratulating the opticians for selecting a worthy man like Mr. Guzdar as its President, declared his satisfaction for appreciating the services of a man who had rendered yeoman services to the optical trade in particular and the spectacles wearing public in general.

"AMSTERDAM OF INDIA"

Gwalior Accords Sanction To New Skyways Company

GWALIOR, Aug. 27: It is revealed that on the auspicious occasion of the birthday of the Maharaja Scindia on 6th July 1945, a Company named "the Scindia Central Skyways. Ltd." was registered in Gwalior with an authorised capital of Rupees Fifty lacs and a strong Board of Directors consisting of businessmen and State Officials

The Company's prospectus envisages daily operations on the following routes:—

Gwalior-Bombay; Gwalior-Delhi-Lahore; Gwalior-Madras (via Hyderabad); Gwalior - Cawnpore - Lucknow. Gwalior-Ajmere; Gwalior-Ujjain (Gwalior State).

Gwalior has been the pioneer of Road Transport in India and began its association with Air Services in 1933 with the inception of the Bombay-Delhi Air Service by Tatas.

With its large Aerodrome at Maharajapura and its Sea Plane Base at Tigra, both of which have rendered great service during the War, Gwalior is considered by experts as the "Amsterdam of India" and with the return of normal air travel, she will be established as an important terminus in National and world Air Travel.

Air transport has been in the forefront of the Gwalior Government's plans and forecasts for Post War Development and realising as they do that years of trial and experience are needed to build up a large organisation—most of all—an Air Line, they have decided to hasten slowly and to progress by carefully judged stage.

With regard to aircraft and personnel, the programme of the company is to seek the guidance of the Hon'ble Sir Gurunath Bewoor and Sir Fredrick Tymms on their return to India from Overseas.

TO MAINTAIN SAFETY FIRST SPEED

An important member of the Company's Board of Directors when interviewed stated—The most important factor of all in air transport is that of safety and with available record of Gwalior's railways and road transport during 25 years of operations, our aim will be 'Safety First' even at the sacrifice of speed.'

In answer to a further question, he stated. 'The Gwalior Government are carefully watching the policy of the Government of India in the matter of Air Transport and as Gwalior also aspires to International Air Routes, the Gwalior Government consider it unwise to leave the Company in private hands and decided on 'State Control' as in the case of its railways and roads transport.'

HAPPY ON HIGHER, SALARIES

Loaned Officers Averse To Being Reverted To Old Jobs

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, Aug. 30.

A deputation of Gazetted Officers on loan from Provinces is expected to wait on the authorities here to urge against reversal to their substantive posts on the ground that the Government of India should not lose officers who have gained considerable experience in their particular posts.

There are two arguments against this demand. Firstly no experienced officers are needed if the department concerned itself is to be abolished. Secondly, the primary object of retrenchment is to save money.

The following conversation between a Gazetted Officer and his superior will illustrate this point:

Superior Officer: What was your substantive pay in your province?

Answer: Rs. 250.

Q.: What is your pay here.

A.: Rs. 1,150.

Q.: Will you like to be reverted?

A.: No Sir I am very happy here.

Superior: Then you shall be reverted.

This dialogue, the accuracy of which I can vouchesafe, will illustrate the crux of problem.

Officers in the Provincial Cadres drawing Rs. 250 or more were drafted in the Supply, Food and other Departments on war salaries. Naturally they are averse to being reverted to their substantive posts.

The Supply Department has also a number of businessmen as advisers. The opinion here is that they should be reverted and at least should not be associated with disposal work.

Against this picture is the tentative decision of the Government of India referred to by the Planning Member Sir Ardeshir Dalal, to create a Pool of Engineers. The pool will consist of 100 engineers, mostly British, to be demobilised from the army. The proposal is to maintain this pool at the headquarters, to enable the provinces to draw upon it according to their needs.

Provinces, it appears, are not averse on salaries permissible under provin- allowed to engage these engineers during the period they need them and on salaries permissible under provincial scales, the balance being met by the Government of India. The Government of India will have, therefore, to pay all engineers in the pool not wanted by provinces and also have to meet part of the salary of others who may be employed by the provinces.

Final decision is expected shortly.

The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

By J. C. MAITRA

The C. C. I. Badminton Championships Tournament concluded in a blaze of glory for Mumtaz Chinoy on Thursday last. She collared all the three titles she had fought for and thereby she repeated the performance she had made in the Suburban Tournament at Bandra. Therefore it goes without saying that she is the best badminton player in the city today. In the women's singles she disposed of her opponents with considerable ease. Little Aloo Vimadalal who opposed her in the final could do very little against her redoubtable rival, although Mumtaz conceded her as many as 10 points in the second game, after allowing only a brace in the first.

TRIPLE CROWN FOR MUMTAZ CHINOY

The women's doubles final saw the Vimadalal sisters, Aloo and Maki pitted against Mumtaz Chinoy and Freny Talyarkhan. Here again the latter pair had practically their own way to pocket the championship with ease (15, 6 17-14).

Assisted by her old partner, Kishore Lotwalla Mumtaz gained the third trophy, by accounting for Henry Ferreira and Mrs. Bella Castelino in the Mixed Doubles final by 15-5, 15-9. Ferreira had unfortunately sprained a back muscle in a strenuous fight in the penultimate round of the Mixed Doubles against V. N. Iyer and Mrs. Soman. Consequently he could not give of his best in this match.

BURJOR SHROFF RETAINS TITLE

The Men's Singles final had to be abandoned as Henry Ferreira was unable to play for the reason mentioned above. So Burjor Shroff retained his title without a fight in the last stage. It was a great pity that the match could not be played as everybody had expected a keen struggle between the old rivals.

The only redeeming feature of the tournament was the exhilarating tussle between the Ullal brothers and G. D. Patwardhan and D. G. Magwe. The younger pair, Anant and Bala, tried to throw the veteran couple off their feet by their vigorous and penetrating attacks. They did succeed in the first game. But Raja and Mugwe brought all their skill and stratagem to play in the next two to win the verdict in the end. (13-15 15-8, 15-4).

STANDARD OF PLAY FALLEN

There were few brilliant and exciting battles in the whole tournament and the standard of play was pretty low. With the practical retirement of the old stalwarts Rusi Kanga, Raja Patwardhan and Khandhu Rangnekar, a vacuum has been created in the field with no promising player to fill up the gaps. The coaching scheme of the Badminton Association does not seem to have produced any appreciable result. When can the Association of the coach do if promising youngsters are not forthcoming?

Evidently there is a slump in the local badminton world. It may be due to the fact that two of the principal feeders of the game, I mean the Hindu and Parsee Gymkhanas have been under military occupation for a long time. Let us hope, now that the war is over, that these sporting institutions are released soon, so that Bombay's sport may come into its own ere long.

NEW METROPOLITAN OF INDIA

CALCUTTA, Aug. 31. (A.P.I.) The Rt. Rev. Dr. George C. Hubback, Bishop of Assam, who was elected Metropolitan of India and Bishop of Calcutta in June, will be enthroned in his new office tomorrow. The enthronement ceremony will take place at St. Paul's Cathedral in the evening, and will be performed by the Archdeacon of Calcutta.

The retiring Metropolitan, the Most Rev. Dr. Foss Westcott, will leave on Monday next for Ranchi for a short stay there.

KAMALADEVI TO TOUR BIJAPUR

(From Our Correspondent.)
BIJAPUR, Aug. 31.

It is understood that Smi. Kamaladevi is arriving here on September 9 in connection with the Kasturba Memorial Fund work. Her stay would last two or three days. The Students Union proposes to arrange a lecture from her.

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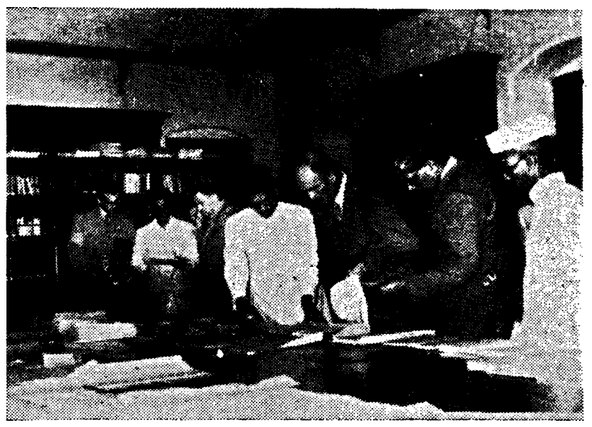

His Excellency Sir Charles Bristow, acting Governor of Bombay, being shown some of the work done during a visit to the Gokhale School of Politics and Economics at Poona.

Rashtrabhasha Examinations

The Rashtrabhasha examinations of the Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Wardha, will be held today (Saturday) only for Kovid and Parichay and tomorrow (Sunday) between 11-30 a.m. and 6-30 p.m. at the following centres: Girgaun, Aryan Education Society's High School, near Opera House Tram Terminus; Matunga, Ram Narayan Ruia College; Andheri, Madhavsi Amarsi High School; Virar, Kanya Shala; Ghatkoper, Rashtriya Kanya Shala.

The candidates should be present half an hour before their time. The detailed programme and hall tickets can be had from the Prachar centres or the examination centres.

JOIN CONGRESS SEVIKA DAL

Mrs. Sofia Khan the G. O. C. of the Congress Dal writes:—

Those desirous to work permanently in the Congress Sevika Dal are hereby informed to enrol their names in the Dal up to the 5th Sept. at the Congress House. Vithalbhai Patel Road. The enrolment will be suspended after the 5th Sept. till the A.I.C.C. session is over. The time for enrolment is between 4 and 6-30 P.M.

PREPARING FOR A.I.C.C. MEETING

(Issued from the Congress House).

The following Committees appointed for making arrangements for the forthcoming A.I.C.C. meeting will meet today (Saturday) at Congress House:

Decoration Committee:—5-30 p.m.
Contact Communication Committee:—6 p.m.
Publicity Committee:—6-30 p.m.

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3RD RACE: 3-30 p.m.
Waldye, Boonian, Jassir F.
4TH RACE: 4 p.m.
Jaiwant, Repartee, Cote D'Azur F
5TH RACE: 4-30 p.m.
Promise Me, Dandy, Goodwill F.
6TH RACE: 5 p.m.
El Morocco, Orange Flower, Carlos F.
7TH RACE: 5-30 p.m.
Khan Bahadur, Ice Box, Mahboob F.
8TH RACE: 6 p.m.
Guiding Star, Hindustan, Mr. Colman F.
9TH RACE: 6-30 p.m.
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City Celebrates Gokulashtami

BOMBAY, Friday.

The city to-day enjoyed immensely the dancing of the Hindu youths in imitation of Shri Krishna in commemoration of the god's birth. With accompaniment of music, the dancing parties paraded the streets attracting large crowds to witness their frolics.

At some places curds (which is now a costly item) and buckets of water were thrown upon the dancing parties, which was enjoyed by the onlookers. With showers of rain and buckets of water, the members of the parties were well drenched. To this of course, they are used, and they will have no cause to go to the doctors for cold and cough in these times of influenza which is prevalent in the city for the past few weeks.

A complete fast is observed by the Vaishnavite Hindus to-day lasting till mid-night, which marks the birth of Shri Krishna.

There were also fairs to-day at Walkeshwar and Mazagaon and all public offices and courts were closed for the day.

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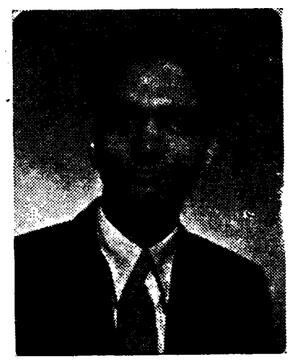

Dr. Ajit Manilal Patel, L.I.M.E. (Lond.); A.M.I.A.E.; A.M.I.Mech.E. (Manchester); M.A.E.; D.A.E. (Philadelphia); who has been awarded the medal and the title of 'Auto-Star' by the President of the Institution of Automobile Engineers, London.

His various researches in the automobile engineering have earned him the honour. He is the youngest and the second automobile engineer of India to receive the honour.

A.-I. STUDENTS' CONGRESS TO MEET IN BOMBAY

Mr. Dinkar Sakrikar, General Secretary, All-India Students' Congress, writes:

"In view of the fact that the A.I.C.C. is meeting in Bombay on September 21 and subsequent days, it has been decided to hold the meeting of the Working Committee of the All-India Students' Congress in Bombay on 25th and 26th September, and not at Patna on 29th and 30th as previously announced. A conference of the presidents and general secretaries of all the provincial branches will also be held in Bombay on the same dates.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

SATURDAY SEPT. 1.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m.—8.0 a.m. News (H). 8.15 News (E) 8.30 Dattoba Tawde 8.45 Sitar Recital. 8.50 News (M). 9.0 News (G) 9.10 To-morrow. 9.15 Gangubai Hangal. 9.45 Ghazalen.

12.30 Sindhi Songs. 12.45 News (M). 12.50 News (G). 12.55 News (H). 1.0 Light Selection. 1.30 News (E). 1.40 Lunch Hour Music. 2.0 You Asked for It (E). 2.30 Saturday at two-thirty. 4.20 Children's Programme (G). 5.0 Dattoba Tawde. 5.30 Ramesh Desai. 5.45 Topical Talk. 5.55 Locals. 6.0 Children's Half-Hour (H). 6.30 News (E). 6.40 News (H). 6.45 Premlata Naik. 7.0 Sardar Mansur. 7.15 Gangubai Hangal. 8.0 Gat Tora on Tabla. 8.15 News (M). 8.30 News (G). 8.45 For the Universities Cosmic rays: Talk by Dr H. J. Bhabha: By courtesy of Station Director, All-India Radio, Madras. 9.0 News (H). 9.20 News (E). 9.30 B. B. C. News Relay. 9.40 Dilu en Dilruba. 9.45 Listeners' Requests 10.0 Yama-Savitri (G). 10.30 Gangubai Hangal

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To-day

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To-day's Engagements

MARATHA MANDIR: Governing council meeting at Thakurdwar at 5-30 p.m. today.

INDIAN MUSIC CIRCLE: Pandit Gururao Deshpande's vocal music concert at 10 p.m. today at Ramnaraian Ruia College Hall, Matunga.

SHRI MAHAVIRA JAINA VIDYALAYA: Prof. Jagdishchandra Jain will speak on 'Life and Teaching of Mahavira today in the Vidyalaya Lecture Hall.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "The Indian Ruler" (Krishna Jayanti) will be the subject of a free public lecture at 6-15 p.m tomorrow (Sunday) at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION: Discourses by Swami Sambuddhanandji On Vedanta Philosophy (Brahmasutra) at 3-45 p.m (today) at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road at 6 p.m. at Ramakrishna Vivekananda Centre, Dadar, he will talk on Upanishads in English On Sunday at 10 a.m. at Mission Library Hall, Khar Road, he will lecture on Bhagwat Geeta in English and at 6-30 p.m same place on "Teachings of Bhagawan Shree Ramakrishna Paramahamsa."

THANKSGIVING "JASHAN" CEREMONY: In observances of the Allied victory, Mr. Homi Daji has organised "Jashan", "Hormaz Garba" and Kirtan on Sept. 8 at 2-15 p.m. at Albless Baug.

TRINITY MUTUAL HEALTH CLINIC: Clinic will remain open to-day and tomorrow from 4 to 6 p.m. Mrs. Leelavati Munshi will pay a visit to-day when it will be open for ladies only Dr. Jos Alban D'Souza, Mayor of Bombay, Sjt Nagindas T. Master and Sjt. S. K. Patil, will pay a visit to the Clinic to-morrow.

GUJRATI KUMAR SAHITYA MANDAL LECTURE SERIES: Sixth lecture by Mr. Mansukhlal Zaveri at 4-30 today in Suniti Girls High School.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE: Mr. Pandya will speak on 'Blood-circulation' at 4 p.m. to-day in Gujarati in the R.I.S., Ground Floor.

BOMBAY PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION: Public lecture by Mr. M. V. Amrith on "Psycho-analysis and Efficiency" at Wilson College at 6-15 p.m. to-day.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY AND MENTAL HYGIENE: Lecture by Dr. K. R. Masani on "Functional Disorders of the Gastro Intestinal Tract" for medical practitioners, at 3-30 p.m. today at the Health Visitors, Institute, opposite Police Station, New Nagpada Road.

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: The Voluntary Social Workers' Training Class will meet at 5 p.m. today, at the Servants of India Society's Home, Sandhurst Road, when Prin Rev. James Kellock will lecture on 'Industrial Revolutions.'

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: Dr. L. Sternbach, will lecture on "Similarities in the Ancient Legal and Social Structure of the Hindus and American Indians" at the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan at 6 p.m today.

BOMBAY SUBURBAN SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE: A free biochemical medicine study class at 6 p.m. today at Bandra Municipal Girls' School No. 9, opposite the Municipal Office.

FRIENDS OF THE SOVIET UNION: F Ward Committee to launch Silver Coin Fund to meet the election expenses Meeting from 6 to 9 p.m. on Sept. 29 (Saturday).

THREE ARTS ID-GANAPATI TEA PARTY: At 4 p.m on Wednesday, September 12, at Taj, followed by entertainment, at 4-45 given by Messrs. Jamnadas N. Bhuo, Hansraj Goculdas and Walimohammad Sonawala in honour of Atiya Begum who is proceeding to Ceylon to attend the first Indo-Ceylonese Muslim Women's Congress. Rohini Wagle and party will give a fine programme.

ACADEMY OF ISLAM: Id lunch on Sunday, September 16, at 12-30 at Taj. Guests include Royal Consuls of Turkey and Iraq, Sir J. Madan, Sir Radhakrishnan, Mrs Sarojini Naidu, Mme. Clarence Gasque, Mrs. Shirin Fozdar and others.

SANSKAR MANDAL: Sjt Kakasaheb Kalelkar will lecture in Gujarati at Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, at 6 p.m. tomorrow.

SHREE MAHYAWANSHI SEVA SANGH: Monthly Flag Salutation by Dr. Narsvane at 10-0 a.m. tomorrow at Kabir Mandir, Globe Mill's Passage, DeLisle Road.

TEACHING OF HINDUSTANI: Shri Kaka Kalelkar will address workers in the field of Hindustani and teachers of Schools and High Schools, at the Jinnah Hall, tomorrow (Sunday), at 9-30 a.m. The subject will be "Teaching of Hindustani". He will invite questions from the audience after his talk. The meeting will be under the auspices of the Congress Rashtrabasha Samiti.

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Workers Get Busy With Election Work And A.I.C.C. Reception

THE CITY CONGRESS HOUSE WORE A GAY AND FESTIVE APPEARANCE AS LARGE CROWDS OF PEOPLE THRONGED ITS PRECINCTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE AUTHORITIES OF THE BOMBAY PROVINCIAL CONGRESS COMMITTEE MADE A FORMAL ENTRY INTO PREMISES RESTORED TO THEM ON MONDAY.

The entry was signalised by a solemn ceremony at which the Tricolour was hoisted in the compound, while more than a thousand Congress volunteers as well as members of the Seva Dal and Sevika Dal stood drawn up in impressive array and saluted the flag.

Behind them an eager and milling crowd pushed and jostled. The rush was so great that four sevikas, were overcome and fell down, one after another.

All the members of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee with the exception of the Communist members were present. Also present on the occasion were Mr. Morarji Desai, the Hon. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa and Mr. Krishnanath Sarma, Congress M.L.A. from Assam.

Long after the formal function was over the Congress House continued to be the centre of attention for a large crowds of happy people who continued to pour in and roam about the premises as if it was their own home. A sympathiser produced baskets of pedhas which were handed around in the traditional Indian manner of celebrating a happy event.

Meanwhile Congress workers are settling down to brass tacks. The immediate work in hand is that of preparing for the A.I.C.C. The Committee charged with different duties in connection with the A.I.C.C. will begin to meet from tomorrow.

PREPARING FOR ELECTIONS

At the same time Congress workers are not letting grass grow under their feet in the matter of preparing for the elections. Although the government have not yet announced their intentions and programme in the matter of revising the electoral rolls, the B. P. C. C. is determined to do its best in making the rolls perfect.

Already an election office has been set up in the premises of the B.P.C.C. Citizens can go and look into the copy of the electoral rolls kept there, and if their names are not in the rolls, they should seek the help of the election office to take steps for getting their names duly posted.

The elections ahead was also the central theme of the speech made by Mr. Navindas T. Master, President of the B. P. C. C. in the course of his speech while hoisting the National flag.

Prominent Congress workers of the city attended the Flag-hoisting ceremony at Congress House on Friday.

After detailing the circumstances under which the Congress had to pass through an ordeal during the last few years and had emerged triumphant, Mr. Master said: "We have to remember that a great responsibility still rests on us. In order to complete the test we have gone through we have yet to meet the challenge of the Government and of the Muslim League. Elections will soon be ahead of us. In 1934, under similar conditions, Lord Willingdon, the then Viceroy, thought that the Congress had been crushed and the election to the Central Assembly was directed in the belief that the Congress would come out a vanquished body But all this hope and expectations were found shattered and the Congress came out victorious as it never did before.

The Congress has grown much stronger since, and it is up to us and we have been called upon to shoulder the responsibility to put forth our best efforts to come out successfully and triumphantly in the coming elections."

"MAHATMA HAS BROKEN PLEDGE TO SIKHS"

But I Left Congress On Differences With Azad, Says Tara Singh

LAHORE, August 30. (A.P.I.): Contradicting a remark attributed to him in a section of the Congress Master Tara Singh, the Akali leader in a statement to the Press says:—

Master Tara Singh says that he left the Congress because of differences of opinion with Maulana Azad, and not with Mahatma Gandhi. "Of course I do think that Mahatma Gandhi is not sticking to the promise, which the Congress at Mahatma Gandhi's suggestion gave the Sikhs.

The Congress, while withdrawing the Nehru Report in 1929, assured the Sikhs that the Congress would be party to no communal settlement, which would not give full satisfaction to the Sikhs and other minorities. But recently Mahatma Gandhi offered to Mr. Jinnah the notorious Rajaji-Gandhi Formula without even consulting the Sikhs. This formula crushed the Sikh community into two halves, one half to go under complete Muslim domination and the other half under complete Hindu domination.

I drew the attention of the Mahatma to his inconsistency before he personally met Mr. Jinnah at Bombay. The Mahatma in his reply simply assured me that he would arrive at no final settlement at Bombay, but he kept silence over his commitment in the very offer of the formula.

Since then Mahatma Gandhi has so many times repeated that objectionable offer although he knows the dissatisfaction among the Sikhs over the offer. I have this complaint against Mahatma Gandhi, but this is no reason for me to pass such bitter remarks against Mahatma Gandhi personally and I never did so".

ACCUSED IN SLOT MACHINE GAMING CASE CONVICTED

Cases Against Manager And Proprietor Of Mazda Restaurant Postponed

The slot machine gaming case in which the premises of Mazda and Company were raided by Sub-Inspector Rane, of the Vigilance Branch, C.I.D. on April 2 last came up for hearing on Tuesday.

The accused are Rusi Cawasji Patel, Gulab Dahya, Byram Rustom Irani and 19 others.

The facts alleged are that the accused were found gambling with money at two different places at the Bagatelle Pin Tables. These gaming instruments, it is alleged, were inside the Mazda and Company Restaurant, which is situated at 113, Hughes Road, Bombay.

Mr. K. C. Thakore, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Police Court, finding the accused guilty under Section 22, of the Gambling Act, sentenced them each to pay a fine of Rs. 5 or in default to undergo one week R. I. except the Proprietor and the Manager of the said restaurant as their cases have been postponed till September 5.

Mr. J. S. Chiniwalla, Advocate, defended the Proprietor and the Manager.

BOMBAY PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION: A Public Lecture: by Mr. M. V. Amirith, Psycho-analyst on 'Psycho-analysis and Efficiency' at Wilson College, at 6.15 p.m., on Saturday.

HINDUSTANI RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MOURN DEATH OF PRESIDENT

The following resolution was passed by the Hindustani Residents' Association:—

"The Executive Committee of the Hindustani Residents' Association are shocked by the sad untimely and sudden death of their esteemed President the late Mr. B. M. Bhargava and place on record their deep sense of sorrow at this sad event.

The Association with whom the late Mr. Bhargava was associated from its very inception as one of the founder members and for a long time as its Vice-President before being elected to the Presidentship, has sustained irreparable loss by his death.

The interest taken by Mr. Bhargava in the activities of the Association rightly led to his being considered as the embodiment of those very ideals for which the Association has stood. The Committee prays that his soul may rest in perfect peace and expresses their heartfelt sympathy with the members of his family in their bereavement."

Cuttack Congressmen Favour Exclusion Of Communists

Accuse The Reds To Have Stabbed National Organisation In The Back

CUTTAC, August 30 (A.P.I.): The District Congress Workers' Conference at its session here to-day adopted a resolution expressing the opinion that "the Communists stabbed the Congress from behind and acted against the letter and spirit of the resolution of August 1942 even when they continued to be members of the Congress" and requested the leaders of the Congress to take necessary steps so that the Communists may be kept out of the Congress organisations.

By another resolution the Conference requested the Congress High Command to provide disciplinary provisions in the Congress Constitution whereby members of other political parties could be effectively kept out of the Congress in order to make the organisation a homogeneous fighting body with a revolutionary mentality. It also suggested the raising of the qualifications of even the primary members of the Congress.

Mr. Naba Krishna Choudhury presided.

Ghazipur 'Wanted' Revolutionary Arrested

GORAKHPUR, August 30 (A.P.I.). Balroom Singh, an alleged revolutionary of Ghazipur District who escaped in March 1943 from the Sadar lock-up at Gorakhpur, in broad daylight with fetters on, has been arrested near the Himalayas in Nepal Raj where he was engaged in farming under the name of Sheobhusan Pandey.

A reward of Rs. 700 had been announced by the U. P. Government for Balroom's arrest.

Balroom and Kailashpati, his accomplice, were awaiting their trial in Sahjanwa Train Dacoity Case when both of them escaped from the lock-up. Kailashpati was arrested in May 1944 while trying to cross over to Nepal territory near Moninagar in Basti District.

Plea To Discuss Kisan Question "De Novo"

ALLAHABAD, August 30 (A.P.I.): Mr. Keshav Malaviya, General Secretary, U. P. Congress Committee in the course of a statement urges that the whole question of Kisan organisation in its relation with the Congress and allied matters should be discussed 'de novo'.

He advised his Congress colleagues to stay their Kisan activities for a few more weeks till the leaders had come to specific conclusions.

'Time' Magazine Praises Krishna Nehru's New Book

NEW YORK, August 30 (U.P.A.): "Time" magazine today publishes a review of Krishna Nehru's new book, "With No Regrets", which it praises as a delicate portrayal of the current Indian scene.

'It is no guide to the tortuous complexities of Indian politics," the magazine says: "Nor is it even Gandhi propaganda. British imperialists may read it without risk of apoplexy. But, for most westerners, these gentle reminiscenes will help to bring alive a sensitive and ascetic man of dreams and action who will probably inherit Gandhi's sainted khadi during modern India's most crucial year—Jawaharlal Nehru."

Leaders Advice To Bombay Office Workers

A general meeting of the Bombay Office workers was held recently under the auspices of "The Office Workers' Union" at Mangrol Mansions, Bora Bazar Street, Fort, Mr. F. M. Pinto who presided traced the past history of

CHEVALIER HELPED FRENCH UNDERGROUND

(From the Daily Worker, London).

The full truth about Maurice Chevalier—now banned from Britain—and how he was saved from an undeserved fate as a suspected collaborator can at last be told.

I have just heard it from the lips of M. Louis Aragon, the writer-leader of France's patriotic intellectuals who has been visiting London (says a writer in the London Daily Worker).

Chevalier, M. Aragon told me certainly supported Petain—as did masses of non-political French people—and continued to sing for Paris radio in the early days of the occupation.

But in 1942 when the Germans occupied the Vichy zone, he realised where his patriotic duty lay.

Just at this time M Aragon, then the hunted organiser of the Intellectuals' Resistance movement, met Chevalier in the South of France and talked things over with him.

As a result, he agreed to receive and forward secret correspondence and in this way rendered considerable aid to the Resistance.

Confidence In New Syrian Govt.

DEATH ROLL IN CITY FIRE MOUNTS TO 18

The death roll in the disastrous fire that took place on Wednesday afternoon in the office of the Paramount Pictures at Ballard Estate, has mounted upto 18, another victim, having dead in the St. George's Hospital this morning.

The name of the deceased is Mr. C. S. Gopalkrishna. The body was taken away by his relations.

TORY PAPER ASKS FOR REMOVAL OF LASKI

He Referred To Britain As "Second Class Power"

LONDON, August 31 (Reuter): The Socialist's Executive should seriously consider removing Prof. Harold Laski from his chairmanship, declares the Conservative "Daily Sketch" in an editorial today.

The "Sketch" strongly objects to Prof. Laski's use of the phrase "second class powers like Britain and Sweden" in a speech to Swedish Socialists, and says that Prof. Laski's "European pilgrimage has been marked by one calculated indiscretion after another."

Examinations

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presented its programme to Parliament last night, obtained a vote of confidence of 52 to 29 (with 6 abstentions), after a lively debate which was protracted into the early hours of this morning.

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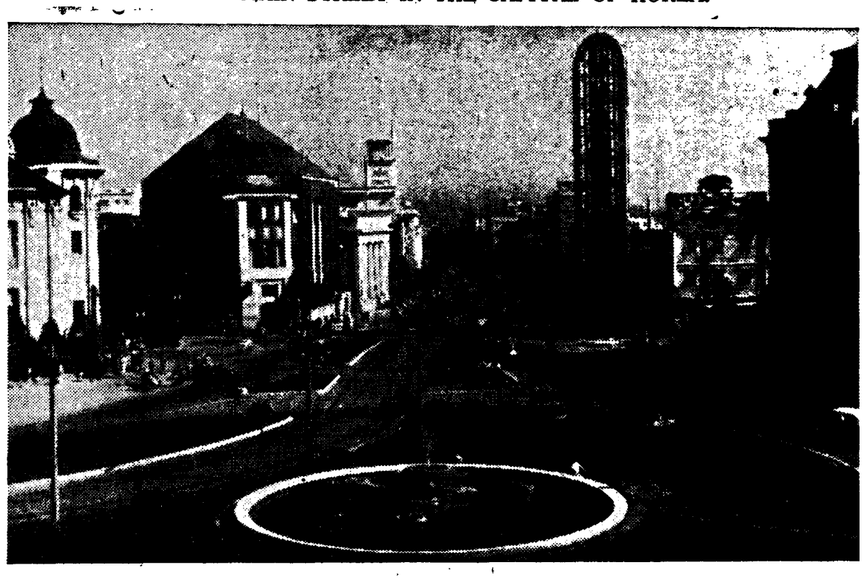
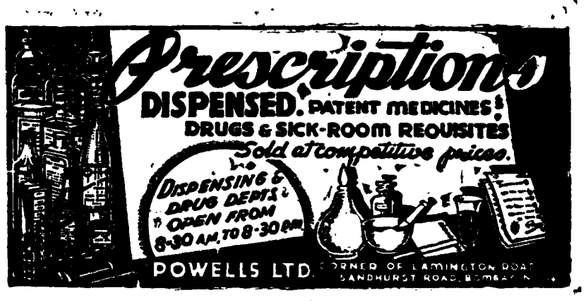


This is the main street in Keijo, capital of Korea. The Cairo declaration reaffirmed in the Potsdam report stated that the Allied powers are determined that in due course Korea shall become independent.—U. S. O. W. I.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"Times" Demands Debunking Myth Of Undefeated Army

Plea For Application Of 'Frisco Charter To South-East Asia

LONDON, August 27. (Reuter): Fears of a Japan still believing in spite of defeat in its glorious destiny and the invincibility of its army, with the Japanese General Staff "going to ground" as the German staff did in 1918 are expressed by the *Times* to-day.

In the demilitarisation of the Japanese people it urges an honest application to South-East Asia of the principles of the San Francisco Charter.

CAUSE FOR SUSPICION

The circumstances of the Japanese surrender, observes the paper, impose upon the Allies the necessity for extreme suspicion. "While the Japanese naval and air forces have been almost annihilated and the civil population has seen a shattering demonstration of the Allied might, the land forces have sustained their main defeats in areas remote from public observation. Large bodies of Japanese troops will return home with no other experience than that of victory.

"It will be strange indeed, if the Japanese General Staff does not endeavour to 'go to ground' as the German General Staff did in 1918, and it will find in the numerous and powerful secret societies as well as in the machinery of the military police a readymade cover for the continuation of its activities. The Allies can expect little aid from civil authorities in exposing this dangerous myth of an undefeated army.

"The governing class from Emperor downwards is engaged in employing the resources of its propaganda organisations to pursuade the nation that the imperial prerogative remains intact, that the destiny of the people remains glorious, that the present adversity need only be endured until the dawn of a brighter day.

The "Times" says the real end to be aimed at is demilitarisation of the minds of the Japanese people. "There are two main influences which may be expected to contribute powerfully to such a conversion. First is the honest application to South-East Asia of the principles of the San Francisco Charter, the second is the spectacle of unity among the United Nations in the pursuit of their declared aims.

"One of the contributory motives of the Japanese aggression has been the deep resentment at the disposition of the Western Powers to treat eastern peoples as their inferiors. A perfectly sincere idealism was the starting point of more selfish ambitions covered by the slogan 'Asia for Asiatics'.

"Japan desired to unite the East against the West under her own leadership, and had the Japanese invaders displayed even modest gifts in handling the races newly subjected to them the events might have been very different. But alike in China, Burma, Siam, Malaya, Indo-China and the Netherlands Indies the Japanese soon showed themselves more heavyhanded than the West had ever been".

"The "Times" declares that the Big Powers must try to reconcile the new national aspirations of the races of South-East Asia with the requirements of the international situation.

The main responsibility for this task will fall upon the Western Powers although it will be of the greatest possible assistance to them that they can rank China as a major ally.

TASK AHEAD

"The task ahead is both difficult and delicate. The Western Powers have not stood still, each has framed plans to meet the expected needs of the situation. Holland has revised the balance of power as between her East Indian and European territories with enhanced autonomy for the former, France has announced a far-reaching and progressive plan for Indo-China, Britain is pledged to Dominion Status for Burma, is working out plans to meet the complex needs of Malaya and regards the independence of India as one of the pillars of international security in the South-West Pacific area. These schemes are evidence that the Allied powers are alive to the requirements of the changing world and to the responsibilities so eagerly discussed at San Francisco.

The association of the machinery of the United Nations will serve to ease certain obvious stresses by ensuring that the emerging nationalism of the peoples of South-East Asia is guided into the path of international co-operation, thereby avoiding the twin dangers of narrow chauvinism and racial intolerance".

CHINA CAN HELP

The "Times" says that the assistance of China in this task will be essential. China has already made an invaluable contribution to international security in that area by the conclusion of the recent treaty with Russia.

"The spectacle of China—where there are signs of a greater disposition to unity—taking her place with the Great Powers on the Security Council, of the peoples of South-East Asia emerging into independent nationhood under Western leadership, of gradual restoration of economic life through co-operation instead of exploitation must assuredly exercise a powerful influence upon the outlook of the Japanese people. It is upon these developments so potent in their promise of a new and happier epoch in the relations between the East and the West that the prospect of converting Japan to a new view of the world finally depends", the "Times" concludes.

Formal Establishment Of Control Council In Germany

BERLIN, August 30 (Reuter): Members of the Allied Control Council today signed a proclamation to the people of Germany formally announcing establishment of a Control Council and its assumption of supreme authority in Germany.

Madame Chiang Kai-Shek Enroute Home

NEW YORK, August 30 (U.P.A.): It is now officially announced that Madame Chiang Kai-Shek is 'en route' to Chungking by airplane accompanied by her nephew L. K. Kung. The route which her airplane is taking is not revealed. It is known, however, that there is a bottleneck at Casablanca in North-West Africa and if she is proceeding through that port, on the normal route to China, she may be delayed for some days.

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Japan May Have Balkan Model Of Regime

LONDON, Aug. 30 (Reuter): Discussions on whether or not a control council for Japan similar to the control council for Germany should shortly be set up in Tokyo are believed in well-informed quarters in London to be in progress between Britain, the United States, the Soviet Union and China. Although General Douglas MacArthur now arrived in Tokyo, little has been made public about the occupation regime which the Allies intend to introduce in Japan. It is still not clear whether they will occupy the whole of Japan or only key points in the islands.

There is a fundamental difference between the occupation in Japan and in Germany. In Germany, the Allied Control Council co-ordinates the decisions of the four Allied Commanders, each of whom is supreme within his own zone. In Japan, General MacArthur has been appointed Supreme Allied Commander and in consequence carries greater responsibility and authority than any of the four Allied Commanders in Germany.

The situation is somewhat similar to that prevailing in Bulgaria and Rumania, where Soviet influence on Allied Control Commissions is recognised as predominant. If an Allied Commission is eventually set up in Japan, it is possible that control commissions functioning in the Balkans rather than the control council in Germany may be taken as a model.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

There is something splendid in the man who will not always obey. Why, if we had done as the kings told us five hundred years ago, we should all have been slaves. If we had done as the priests told us we should all have been idiots. If we had done as the doctors have told us, we would all have been dead. We have been saved by disobedience.

—R. G. Ingersoll.

The Bombay Chronicle

INDUSTRIALISTS' MISSION

The press conference given by Messrs. J. R. D. Tata and A. D. Shroff discloses scarcely anything that was unknown or unexpected in regard to the nature and consequences of their mission. The mission was an unofficial body, which, however, was received with considerable organised welcome in Britain as well as in the United States. The mission consisted of private industrialists, going at their own expense to study methods of production and general organisation of industry in these highly industrialised countries. Their experience well throw little light on industrial possibilities of this country, as each member must have thought of his own needs or lines for expansion, unco-ordinated with the others, unless they published a joint report for the information of the public. The suggestion made by Mr. Tata that some organised central agency be established, with adequate technical assistance, in the United States by India to find out what types of goods could be obtained for this country out of the huge war surplus stores available there must be commended, if only because America is likely to be the world's best furnisher of capital goods of the highest efficiency. Even if the programme of our national industrialisation is taken out of private hands and made a well-planned and co-ordinated national concern, some such agency is indispensable for a regular, adequate and satisfactory supply of plant, machinery and equipment, for existing and new industries in this country. Mr. Tata was quite right in emphasizing the fact that machinery, which had undergone severe wear and tear of the war, would be of no very great assistance in the intensive industrialisation of this country. But material which has met with severe strain by use in warfare will rather be munitions of war, and articles directly in use on the battle field than contributory items such as transport vehicles of all kinds or material produced for capital equipment in other allied countries and lease or lend to the latter for intensifying their war effort. The lease-lend system, however, has now been discontinued, and, therefore, a considerable amount of such capital equipment may be available that may easily be utilised if brought to this country. Mr. Tata referred to the already intense scramble for purchasing such surplus stores, and the argument was used, and rightly, to drive home the necessity of a proper centralised organisation to meet India's needs in that behalf.

Even granting, however, that the purchase of capital equipment of the right type in America would be feasible, an essential pre-requisite of carrying out that programme would be the means to pay for such purchases. And it is just there that the problem is the acutest. India is not lacking in the wherewithal to pay for American goods in any quantity that she may need. Sir Ardeshir Dalal is reported to have estimated the value of the total available surplus stores in the United States at something like "90 billion dollars" and even taking a third of this to consist of capital goods or transport vehicles and other material in good order and perfectly serviceable, India's maximum requirements would be more than met by such supplies only, without new production supplementing this source. But the payment for such purchases in dollars is a difficulty, because such export surplus as we produce is automatically diverted to the so-called dollar pool, and preserved there to assist Britain's post-war recovery rather than India's industrialisation. Exactly what the amount of the Indian share in that dollar pool may be is unknown, but it must be very considerable. Added to the sterling resources of this country, accumulated and frozen in London, practically all that India may require in respect of purchases from America could be easily paid for from this source,—quite apart from the current surplus of exports to America over imports from that country into this.

British authorities, however, seem, to be unwilling to touch upon this matter for the moment and release India's credit for use in India's needs. Their problem has been complicated by the stoppage of lease-lend aid and cancellation of all outstanding contracts in that connection. Britain is unlikely to be able to supply our needs because of her more urgent domestic demand. Mr. A. D. Shroff estimates that it will take at least two years before Britain can produce exportable surplus of the most considerable items needed in India, namely, textile machinery. Any other line of capital goods from England may be similarly regarded as unlikely to figure in her export surplus, at least during the period that she must devote to restoring and reconditioning her own national economy. How long that will take we cannot say to-day. But this much is clear: She has a trade deficit of some £500 million to make up every year and she has no invisible exports of the kind she had before the war in her shipping and banking commissions and investment returns from all over the world. Her foreign investments are exhausted, her shipping fleet is depleted, and she is no longer the central money market of the world. Under these conditions it is impossible to expect her either to release the vast sterling balances of India, or any portion of India's share in the dollar pool. Nor can she herself provide a surplus for industrialisation of this country at least for three to five years to come. The problem, therefore, that not only the industrialists of India, but also the Government of the country, will have to face in the immediate future is whether the country's programme of industrialisation must be delayed and postponed, until such time as the means of paying for the necessary equipment are made available or whether attention should be concentrated, from now onwards, on finding out alternative sources for providing the necessary wherewithal to obtain the capital equipment needed for her industry. It is tacitly assumed in all such discussions that Britain or the United States would be the only source for supplying our requirements. Hardly a word, is ever said about the possibility of Russia, for instance, providing mechanical equipment. Russia is obviously anxious to recondition her own economy, but at the same time she may be able to provide a surplus for countries like India, which may be more easily obtainable, because there are no complications of the kind of dollar pools or sterling balances in her case. The quantity of such supplies would not be quite as considerable as in the United States; but unless the latter country wholeheartedly supports Indian demands for liquidating our sterling balances and the dollar pool, the trade of the world will be held up and the recovery of many countries made almost impossible.

Food Supply

Sir William Stamp, Irrigation Adviser to the Government of India, is reported to have remarked in a press interview at Denver in U. S. A. that there will be "an inevitable disaster" in India if the production in the country "is not tremendously increased in the near future", as many Indians are already undernourished and the population is increasing by millions every year because of a high birth rate. The present rate of increase in food production is, if there is any, anything but tremendous. And officials, anxious to escape responsibility for the inevitable disaster, always put the blame on the increasing population, though there is enough land in the country to produce the food for the increasing population and though it is Government's duty to use the land to the best advantage. There are vast possibilities in irrigation, in the use of chemical fertilisers, in the improvement of production methods through better implements and better and wider education in agriculture, in the preference of food crops to others, in cattle improvement, in the development of fisheries through deep water fishing and in poultry farming. By adopting these and other methods India can produce enough food for herself and export. But many of these methods demand initiative and financial help from the Government of India. And these can be forthcoming to any adequate extent only if the Government is really representative of the people and responsible to them. The present Government is neither.

Frankly Speaking

Laski's Latest Sin

The Tories can neither forgive nor forget the Labour Party. For, the latter inflicted upon them their worst defeat in history when they were expecting confidently to ride to success on the wave of Mr. Churchill's popularity. They cannot forgive, and since every day brings them a reminder of their disaster they cannot forget, too. It is this spirit that moves them into the hunt for Professor Laski's head. It is a sort of automatic action since their hero, Mr. Winston Churchill, made of the Professor a national issue in order to win the Election. Professor Laski is, therefore, always in the news with some sin or another. The latest sin is his reported description of Britain as a "second class Power." But what else is she now? She is certainly not in the same class as America and Russia, the only two really Big Powers. The superior position of these two Powers is admitted in words and actions by the British themselves.

Britain's "Greatness"

Britain's future is so much at the mercy of the United States that every British statesman, Tory or Labour and led by Mr. Churchill himself, talks respectfully and flatteringly of American "generosity" and "majestic help." The crisis arising out of the cancellation of lend-lease and the resultant chatterings and alarums and excursions are a spectacular proof that Britain is in a different category from that of the United States. As to the position of the Soviet Union, it is more than sufficient to point out the very striking fact that a man like Mr. Winston Churchill has been carefully avoiding all denunciation of the Russians and has been studiously complimentary, indeed, fulsome when referring to them and their leaders. Britain is not in the same class as Russia or America or the future China. The Tories know all this. But they derive their patriotic pride in the greatness of Britain from the Empire. It is "the Empire" which makes Britain a first class Power. In other words it is the proprietorial domination over millions and millions of other peoples and other territories—called our territories'!—that constitutes the greatness of Britain. What wonderful greatness!

India's Demand

As we said while commenting on the Government's decision regarding the members of the Indian Independent or National Army, their communique itself constituted an acknowledgement of the Indian public's anxiety and sentiments about them. What India feels and wants has now been authoritatively stated by the Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, and by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Both have pointed out how extremely complex were the circumstances in which these men joined that army. And both emphasize quite correctly the fundamental fact that, however mistaken they were, they were very certainly moved by patriotic motives. There are involved also the intricacies of international law in their case. As the Congress President urges, "if combatant enemies receive the benefits of international law and custom, the nationals of the country under foreign rule are formally entitled to nothing less." One thing is clear. The case of these men is entitled not to legal but very special consideration. And we repeat our suggestion that their trial should be deferred in order to enable a National Government to deal with their case.

Itagaki Submits

General Itagaki, the Japanese Commander of Singapore, has at last thought the better of his melodramatic truculence. According to a SEAC official statement he is now willing to accept the situation. Itagaki's submission must come as a great relief; for otherwise his defiance would have meant unnecessary and, therefore, all the more tragic loss of innocent life on both sides. Now the whole of Jap-controlled Asia will be occupied peacefully without any exception. Itagaki will doubtless have to stand trial as a war criminal; the Chinese have a score to settle with him. But by choosing the extreme probability of his individual death instead of a course which would have involved much more than himself, Itagaki has shown commonsense and even true patriotism.

Conserve Mineral Wealth

Dr. Wadia, Geological Adviser to the Government of India, has commended, none too soon, a fair policy for the conservation of our mineral wealth. For years past that wealth has been exploited more in the interests of foreign countries than of India, which is particularly deplorable because mineral wealth, exported without adequate return, is permanently lost to India and cannot be replaced like cotton or other crops. It is far better that our minerals are indefinitely conserved than that they should be exported in a raw state, thereby depriving the country of a major share of the profits of the finished commodity. Dr. Wadia points out that nearly 30,000,000 tons of high grade manganese ore has left the country since 1905, the price obtained for it being ridiculously low. His new policy suggests, among other measures, domestic treatment or part manufacture of several raw materials before export, the control of unrestricted export in raw state of manganese ores, chrome ores, mica, titanium ore, phosphatic materials and several other materials, and the stoppage of export of key minerals and metallic ores without compensatory return or barter of equally important minerals and metals in which this country is deficient. One can only hope that the present Government of India will straightway adopt such a policy.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Two half-truths do not necessarily constitute the whole truth.

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Kissing may be dangerous, but we are not a race of cowards.

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In the bright lexicon of the hustler there is no such word as "enough."

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His satanical majesty promises his labourers much but gives them little.

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Seven days make one week, but it often takes months to make one strong.

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The honest man who pays his rent has to hustle and the dishonest one who doesn't has to keep moving.

Dr. Deshmukh On Separate Electorates

I shall thank you to publish this letter of mine to remove the misunderstanding created by the fragmentary report in your paper of the meeting where Dr. Mukherji addressed and I presided at the C. J. Hall. Many of my non-Hindu and Muslim friends who are as good or better nationalists than I am have asked me whether I am a convert to communalism.

While your report says correctly what I said that "the primary duty of every Hindu candidate was to safeguard the rights of the Hindus whether they were elected on the Mahasabha or Congress ticket" and that "the moment a candidate betrayed the interests of the community he should be forced to go" your report unfortunately has omitted to say (what I said) that "so long as communal electorates exist".

Candidates cannot go to constituencies, get elected by their vote and after being elected throw over the interests of the constituency. Every game, may not be a clean game and politics notoriously is not clean, but if you enter the game, the game is to be played according to the rules of the game.

I made it quite clear in my speech that I would be quite willing to give fifty, sixty, eighty per cent of the seats to non-Hindus provided the electorate was joint and I had the right to choose a desirable 'Indian' and push out an undesirable one, I have always held that communal electorate is the real disease of the country, and no price is too high to get rid of this foul disease.

I even suggested that a non-communal body like the Congress should not dabble in communal elections, but exert its power and prestige in eliminating communal elections. One of the methods suggested by me is that Congress should collect the signatures from all communities of the voters who are in favour of joint electorates and demand proportionate seats in the legislatures.

I see Provincial Congress Committees are going to be busy preparing rolls of the voters. The same organisation, with a little extension of its activities, could do this national work as well. National newspapers, can help by opening their columns for similar recording of the Nation's verdict. In my opinion this method gives the voter a better chance in the decision of the fate of his country than Reports and Conferences of distinguished patriotic Indians pulling their own way and dragging the voter.

I do not see why a Congressman in the formative stage cannot attend all platforms and should be impatient of fair criticism. That is transplating untouchability in the political field.

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"ATTITUDES AND LATITUDES"

By "BIRBAL"

(The views expressed in this column are not always necessarily those of the Editor.—Editor "B.C.")

Satara is fast becoming a legend. Within a few years loyal Government servants' wives and mothers will be silencing their crying children by whispering "Prati Sarkar"—probably they are already doing so.

Meanwhile we are told that the Government has moved an army into the district and thus restored confidence among the terror-stricken villagers. It is strange really that such hostile villagers (to 'Prati Sarkar's party) could harbour such a large gang of unpopular tyrants and that the countryside has to be literally combed by armed police and an army to be able to catch a few suspected collaborators. Other measures that our popular Government has had to resort to so as to restore confidence and peace are 2,000 arrests since 1942; six deaths in jail; 13 killed by police guns in 1942; and collective fines totalling Rs. 37,000 from 34 villages since Aug. 1942. Karve, a village of 3,500 inhabitants, received a collective fine allotment of Rs. 30,000 (who said our villagers are poor?). According to the journalists who visited Satara last April Police raids used to be carried out by 100 to 400 men. The villagers used to run to fields and jungles in terror.

Cleverly a wedge is being driven between "orthodox Congressmen" and the new militant elements. The same policy is being more blatantly pursued by Governor Rutherford in Bihar. The Government is anxious to divide the Congress into sheep and goats. While the ban is being lifted from the Congress Committees and many Congressmen are being released, in Satara seventeen organizations have been freshly put under ban and 300 arrests have been effected. The Viceroy's appeal to "Forget and Forgive" is evidently forgotten.

Still Not Satisfactory

The official communique with regard to the officers and men of the Indian National Army published this Tuesday shows that the plea made by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and other national leaders that the officers and men concerned should be accorded the rights possessed by prisoners of war in International Law has been rejected. No thanks whatever are due to Government for their gracious assurance that the majority of the men will not be penalised, because nobody had thought that the 20,000-30,000 or 40,000 men belonging to the National Army could all be punished! The crux of the matter is the position of their leaders and on this point the official 'communique' only holds out the prospect of further Courts Martial and, presumably, further executions.

That some executions have already taken place was publicly stated by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Birbal is in a position to reveal that the report of the first six executions in Delhi Fort moved Gandhiji to write a personal letter to Lord Wavell urging him to stop these executions and, failing that, at least to allow independent counsel to be supplied for the defence of these unfortunate men.

It is to be hoped that when the All-India Congress Committee meets later this month it will take up the cause of the prisoners concerned and set up a committee or board whose task it will be to look after the legal defence of those who may be put up before Courts Martial and to take other measures necessary for their protection. Meanwhile, the country will take the Government decision as another instalment of Britain's "Forgive and Forget" policy.

Guns Or Gold?

Abdul Quaiyum's 'volte-face' is a first-rate scandal but we should be ready for even more unsavoury scandals. He was of the stature of a district court pleader with a stentorian voice, and a district court pleader can become a Deputy Leader of the Party by virtue of his voice only under a Bhulabhai and only in the Congress, when death and D.I.R. deplete it sadly. But the League! It offers unlimited opportunities for good opportunists. You have a safe seat, a certain job and a superb leader like Jinnah. Guns or Gold on the Pathan frontier? Quaiyum spiked the guns and preferred the gold. And that's that. For what happened between July 11, when Qaiyum thundered against the League, and August 16, when he joined it? Nothing except that there would be no Central Assembly, no Deputy Leadership, no certain job. Neither the Congress nor the League had changed, only Qaiyum had changed, not even Iftikaruddin, who, instead of resigning five years ago from the Punjab P.C.C. presidentship, has resigned now. If there is a lesson in this, it is that those who neither spin nor toil should not be allowed to parade as legislators. Sham parliamentarianism has given a cover to too many carreerists. Guns or Gold? Ask Qaiyum! Or ask the Red Shirts!

4. THIS INDIA: "No Children Till Swaraj"—Wardha Message, 20-8-45.

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MORE LIGHT ON SATARA SITUATION

Silent Revolution Brought About By Congress Workers

(BY SOLI BATLIVALA.)

I have read the Government communique on Satara issued on the 24th August. Also the subsequent nearly daily barrage of them. As it happens, I returned from Satara on 25th morning and I am in a position to give a first hand impression of the district, having toured intensively for twelve days, especially in the areas where the special and punitive Police have been installed. I met officials from the District Magistrate downwards, as well as the villagers, so emphatically described by the Government as the victims and sufferers.

Communique Misleading

I have no hesitation in characterising the communique as misleading, full of both the crimes against truth, *suggestio-falsi and suppressio veri*. It is a statement in the style of the Tottenham Charge Sheet against the Congress. It is the statement of a bureaucracy which has refused to imbibe the spirit of Lord Wavell's appeal to forgive and forget, to rule justly without the abuse of powers which the Defence of India Act places at its command. The Communique makes allegations against the Congress Seva Dal of Satara, and does not produce a little of evidence, by which the charges can be substantiated. It thus ties the old Tottenham game of imputing motives to Congress workers of running or supporting a terrorist movement. It seeks to justify 300 arrests of Congress and Seva Dal workers and labelling the Rastra Seva Dal with terrorist activities by the allegation—unfounded and without proof—that "some members of the Rastra Seva Dal are held to be assisting the terrorist gang." Held by whom and why? Give a dog a bad name and hang him—is easy tactics, but most unfair and unjust to the parties concerned.

Imposters Masquerading As Congress Men

It is an accepted fact, even amongst the present officials of Satara District, that criminal elements, dacoits and anti-social elements have been responsible for a considerable number of the crimes listed by the Government in its Communique. It is also known that these diverse elements, knowing the obsession of the Satara steel frame against the Congress, often use Congress headgear, Congress slogans and Congress flags when indulging in their nefarious activities. I shall cite only two instances. There is the case where some members of a party, who were prominent in the National War Front work, are said to be responsible for dacoities. They are said to have left a note behind in the name of Sjt. Nana Patil, a Congress leader of repute in Satara, so that suspicion should lie that way. The case is *sub-judice* yet. Another revealing incident is the recent looting of the treasury at Mahableshwar. A prominent official immediately laid it at the doors of Congressmen who are underground. My reliable information is that some persons not at all connected with the Congress are responsible for it.

So let the Government be careful when it issues a statement on a complicated state of affairs, and be especially careful before it tries to throw mud, even indirectly at a reputed Congress organisation whose activities are thoroughly above board, legal and nation-building.

"No Witness-No Proofs"

A very high-placed police official confessed to me that "If Nana Patil or Pandu Master or Kisan Vir present themselves to the police to-day, I cannot launch a single case against them, because I have no evidence at my disposal to involve them in a single terrorist action, or even to show their connection with the terrorist movement. I have no witnesses at all. Not even the men bastinadoed or maimed are prepared to name them as the culprits and that is why we lock them up under the Defence of India Act Sec. 129. We can only suspect but in a court of law it is not possible to prosecute them."

Another equally high-placed official confirmed this at another time and in another place and said that the police had to bring considerable pressure before even formal complaints are lodged with them, and most of the prosecutions launched have failed though Congress workers have been locked up under the Defence of India Rule just the same.

Love For Congress

It is necessary to find out why this is so. I sought the answer dispassionately, and found it in Satara. The love for Congress directly arising from the constructive programme worked by the underground workers, is universal. The Police Patel and the Talati know that his whole village has become pro-Congress, that political consciousness has even affected him as well as the members of his own family, that the days of divide and rule inside the village are numbered, that in truth Congressmen have done yeoman service to the village, and are being worshipped by the people in return as their saviours and *gurus*. I was very much impressed with the accounts of personal integrity, sacrifice and unbounded patriotism of the underground Congressmen that the villagers repeatedly brought to me in every corner of Satara District. There is no doubt at all that they lead exemplary lives, practise plain-living and high thinking, bear spotless characters, and are loved and admired by the masses for this. As I put it to a very prominent official without a word of contradiction from [illegible] when they move about amongst the masses. People flock to hear them in thousands. Old women, utter strangers, have claimed them as their sons or near relatives in order to shield them from the clutches of the Police. The 'poison', according to the estimate of the Government officials themselves, has gone so deep that it is not at all impossible that the punitive Police and its officers themselves have been 'corroded' that they not only respect the underground Congressmen but sympathise with them, and thus have become 'unreliable' from the point of view of the Government." It would be interesting if the Government would disclose to the public how many officers in its employ in Satara are suspect in its eye from this point of view. The information, I was assured in Satara, would be revealing.

Reason For Police Failure

The Congress underground leaders of Satara are popular. They move about openly from village to village and hold meetings of thousands of villagers. For the last three years it has not been possible for the Government to arrest them. Why? Because the police arrests when approvers come to their aid or their own informants can "get information" on somebody. The only other alternative for them is the case where pure accident brings the prey into their net. But there are yet no approvers in Satara. And the Police informant can be no more induce the ignorant villager into giving him information on the Congress workers.

And this is the direct achievement of the efforts that Congressmen in Satara have made to work their constructive programme.

The Police and the Government is universally unpopular because of what they have done and are doing. The Congress is loved and its workers are protected by the people. It is a moot question in Satara. In whose interest does the police function in the District? It is not certainly that of the people *en masse*.

Silent Revolution

The Government has tried to impute that the programme of the underground Congressmen is a negative one. It is, according to the Government nothing more nor less, than killing maiming, beating—"fiendish violence" to use the Government phrase.

This is not true. And if the Government can look into its own records, it will find it so.

I have listed below the direct consequences which have resulted in Satara from the activities of Congress underground and overground workers. It cannot be denied that the list is imposing. I challenge the Government to contradict this."

(1). PROHIBITION: Prohibition has been made effective on a wide scale in the District and especially in the south, west and east where the Congress underground workers are firmly installed and where the major part of the armed police force of 2,400 is posted by the Government.

Take the case of Arwi in Patan Taluka. A sober estimate puts illicit liquor business at 1 1/2 lakhs of rupees a year in this area alone. Today the Excise Department is superfluous there, because, through the efforts Congressmen alone, illicit liquor is no more manufactured, and each village looks after its drunkards and reforms them.

(2) CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LITIGATION has been considerably reduced. In Walwa Taluka alone, on an average, a murder used to occur every two days. Now the position is changed. The Police Sub-Inspectors and Inspectors concentrate their whole attention on trying to catch Congress "absconders"; ordinary Police activity is no more necessary to put down fracas, riots, quarrels and fights, leading to litigation in British courts.

Civil litigation in the most affected talukas of Karad and Walwa has come down to a low ebb. I visited villages where the village average for the year was about 100 to 200 cases in the Civil Courts of Karhad, Islampur, etc. Now there are no cases, absolutely none.

This has saved the villages anything between ten to fifteen thousand rupees a year, apart from the waste of time and energy involved in the processes of courts.

It is but natural that the people feel grateful to the village Panchayats established by Congress workers, for the consummation. But we can easily understand the vexation caused to the Government officials when their courts are empty.

This achievement of the underground Congress workers has been mainly responsible for provoking the charge of parallel Government against them.

But the Government must think again and make out a better case before it hopes to carry conviction to any nationalist in this country that punchayats and arbitration spell parallel Government in Satara.

(3) CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN, molestation, etc., has become a matter of the past in many places. The united village deals firmly with the miscreants, social pressure keeps anti-social elements in check.

(4). THE CLASS OF VILLAGE GOONDAS AND HEREDITARY THIEVES AND DACOITS, has been subdued and made to conform to useful citizenship standards. Before the Congress worker—in the name of Gandhiji and the Congress—accompassed this transformation, it used to be impossible for a man, much less a woman—to move out of a village after dusk without a weapon. Looting and dacoity in villages was not an uncommon occurrence. Now even a child is safe at midnight, in all the areas where the Congress underground worker has spread Congress influence. Now dacoits have returned to the rightful owners the property they stole. Now their nefarious and fiendish activities have considerably stopped. The Police in Satara did not stop it, could not stop it, because of the corruption within its ranks. It was left to these underground Congress workers to restore peace tranquility and safety to the villagers.

(5). MARRIAGES—which used to take such a heavy toll in money—have been simplified. The wasteful items have been clipped. The bride and bridegroom have the luxury of Khadi if they are Seva Dal Members. The tyranny of the musicians and the Priests has been wiped out. The Wasteful feast are tightroped. They call it "Gandhi-marriage" in Satara and it does not cost more than Rs. 10 to Rs. 15.

(6). SOWCARI. With its fabulous compound interest rates and extortionate means of squeezing the ignorant villagers—has been tackled in several places. The village is united and boycotts the Sowcar into submission, as at Chafal village in Patan Taluka. The 6 per cent interest rate is sanctioned but nothing more. The awakening of the villager has saved him from the clutches of the fatalist theory of life, has made him confident of being able to weed out all forms of corruption in village life.

(7). THE BLACK MARKETEER has also disappeared not because Government official carried on a campaign against him. On the contrary, he has been controlled and checked by the watchful eyes and hands of the Congress workers who have now made the villagers wise to the tricks of the rogues.

(8) THE PRINCIPLE OF CO-OPERATION AND MUTUAL HELP has grown considerably in the area, giving promise of a rich future.

(9) THE CONGRESS CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAMME has been picked up by the Seva Dals and under the leadership of village youths, spinning, spreading khadi, Harijan work, building national volunteer organisations Hindi Classes, literacy classes for men and women, road building, well-

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TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Powers to cancel the registration of a publisher have been taken by the Government of India, by an amendment of the Paper Control (Economy) Order of 1944. A publisher whose registration has been cancelled is prohibited from publishing any book.
—Press Report.

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The Government communique announcing Sir Firoz Khan Noon's resignation has been the occasion for a gratified statement by Mr. M. A. Jinnah.

But the Junior Colleague, saucy and irrepressible as ever, wants to know how the Qaid-e-Azam became aware of the communique since his statement provides no evidence to show that his "attention" was "drawn" to it.

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The Qaid-e-Azam has welcomed Sir Firoz to the fold in quite felicitous terms. But Mr. Abdul Qaiyum need not be discouraged by certain obvious differences in the Leader's reaction.

It is, of course, true that Mr. Abdul Qaiyum was greeted through private correspondence made public instead of a direct public statement. And it is also true that the Leader has said nothing in specific terms about Mr. Abdul Qaiyum's future possibilities.

But the Frontier patriot may rest assured for the present, that he will be offered an "honourable part" if not "in the public life of Muslim India" at least in that of Muslim N.W.F.P.

And anyhow Mr. Abdul Qaiyum should in "the interests of Islam in India" have the self-less fairness to acknowledge that, for the Qaid-e-Azam, there IS a difference between a Firoz Khan Noon and an Abdul Qaiyum.

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By the way the Qaid-e-Azam, reveals that Sir Firoz confidentially informed him of the decision to resign on August 21st.

Inquisitive people whose hobby is to check and compare dates are, however, not entitled to regard as anything but accidental the coincidence that on August 21, Lord Wavell called an emergency meeting of his Executive Council which was followed by the simultaneous London-New Delhi announcement of his visit to England.

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According to an Anglo-Indian correspondent, Sir Firoz Khan's resignation is the result of a tiff with his cousin Khizr Hayat. The latter failed to include Noon in his panel at the Simla negotiations which "is said to have hurt the feelings of Sir Firoz."

This is nonsense. No personal ambition but pure Muslim patriotism is at the bottom of Sir Firoz's move into the Muslim League. He had long been waiting impatiently for the right moment to plunge into the service of "Islam in India."

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DR. KHARE TO TALK ON HAJ PILGRIMAGE
—Headline.

Really?

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Mr. Nashashibi, a member of the Arab Delegation in London, is reported to have said that "had Pakistan been a reality, there would have been no problems in Palestine...."

We fear so, since the Jews would have had a ready made conclusive precedent.

PLAN TO HUSH UP INDIA ISSUE FAILS

Resolution For Blackpool T. U. C. Session

AUTOCRACY MUST END, SAYS SHIVA RAO

London Talks On Next Steps: Communal Approach Recedes

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, August 31.—Taking advantage of his presence in London, Empire press representatives interested in the Indian question met Mr. B. Shiva Rao at the London Office of the "Hindu" heard him give a clear exposition of the political problem in India which, they all agreed, was a useful guidance to the developments that may follow Lord Wavell's present visit to London.

Mr. Shiva Rao pointed out that the most urgent problem in India is not Hindu-Muslim differences, but it is the social and economic. Problems with which the administration is really faced are problems of an economic and social character affecting agricultural and industrial labour without regard to religious differences. Influence of the religious factor in Indian life has been grossly exaggerated. It is no use merely replacing European members of the Viceroy's Council with Indians. Those Indians who are in the present Council are all, except for Dr. Ambedkar, representatives of landlords and the moneyed class. It is going to make a great difference what sort of a set up the Labour Government is going to have at Delhi after the present Wavell talks.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Referring to the administration in India since 1942, Mr. Shiva Rao said that although there is no Martial Law, the country is virtually governed by Martial Law. The worst kind of treatment is given to political prisoners. Mr. Churchill boasted that never in the history of India had Britain so many white troops in India as there are today. Mr. Churchill's boast was correct. "I cannot think of any Government, much less the Labour Government, wanting to continue enforcing law and order with the help of British troops. I cannot think of any Government tolerating the methods which the administration adopted in India. She is not going to be quiet as she had been during the war. There are many men who had gone underground. They have learnt the technique of underground resistance. They will come on to the top. Demobilised soldiers won't accept the authority of landlords. Other forces also are growing. So the problem of India must be looked at from a different point of view. I hope that the Labour Government will not only make a fresh approach to the problem, but that it will make that approach from a social and economic point of view instead of the religious."

VICEROY IN INDIA

Mr. Shiva Rao continued: The Viceroy today is Prime Minister, Foreign Minister and also representative of the King. Mr. Churchill, ten years ago, said that the Viceroy's powers were so all-embracing that even Sgr. Mussolini might envy them. It must be remembered that ten years ago Sgr. Mussolini was more powerful than Herr Hitler was. There should be an element of responsibility.

India's position should be based on real partnership. Make it reality; make it clear to India that Britain proposes to treat India as an absolute equal. Let India decide whether she wants to be inside or outside the Commonwealth. Don't force a decision on her.

WHY SIMLA FAILED

The last Wavell offer came from the Coalition Government dominated by Mr. Churchill. What was good enough for the Churchill Cabinet cannot certainly be acceptable to the Attlee Cabinet or the Indian people. The time has arrived for ending autocracy. Every offer to India should be subject to scrutiny from the Labour Party's policy. Placing a veto in the hands of a small or big minority, as was done at Simla, won't get you anywhere. The Simla talks failed because of that mistake.

Answering questions Mr. Shiva Rao said: "The Congress is politically shrewd is a well-organised All-India non-sectarian non-religious body; Mr. Jinnah may have had influence in 1942; but today he has not got even one Muslim League Ministry functioning. The Congress Ministries did more to improve the conditions of agricultural and industrial labour while in Office for just over two years than any previous or subsequent Governments. The treatment of Indians in South Africa is a very sore point all over India. It is one question on which all Indians agreed and voted together. Unless the situation improves, there may be retaliatory action by Indian against South Africa. But for the exigencies of war retaliatory steps would have been taken long ago."

When Mr. Shiva Rao said that India must be given the status of a Dominion a journalist said: "That is not enough. Look at how the Dominion, Australia, is treated. You will need an Indian Dr. Evatt to come here."

Mr. Shiva Rao replied: "I can assure you that Pandit Nehru will make as good, perhaps a better Dr. Evatt in this respect."

When asked whether Mr. Jinnah with Greece, Bulgaria and Spain.

can be given full credit for Pakistan, Mr. Shiva Rao said: "Oh, good God, no. No small credit must be given for this to the British Conservative Party. Nobody has produced in India better literature on Pakistan than I have seen published by Conservatives in this country."

A New Approach

Interesting points affecting the next step in India are raised by the staff correspondent of the Associated Press of America, as emerging from the talks at Whitehall. The correspondent says:—

While the India Office here continues to emphasize that "the Viceroy has no cut and dry plan", indications are increasing in informed quarters that the communal approach to the Indian problem is receding into the background, says the staff correspondent of the United Press of America. Prof. Reginald Coupland of the Oxford University, who was an official adviser to the Cripps mission in India, is reported to be participating in these discussions, which informed circle believe are proceeding more and more along lines leading to a Constituent Assembly.

Both Indian and British experts on the Indian problem expressed the belief that a solution can only lie along these lines, if the Viceroy is to succeed in his task.

FIRST STEP

As a first step British experts stress the need of some kind of a non-official body, which will serve as a link. One authority on India has suggested such a body to be drawn from the Provincial Ministries composed of ex-Ministers and Prime Ministers.

Another authority is of the belief that the Viceroy, in his endeavour to establish such a body after the general elections, may well consider inaugurating a body of Federal Privy Councillors. This, Indian circles point out, appears the only Constitutional instrument in the British Parliamentary Armoury, which has not been used.

Such a body would furnish a constant means of discussion and approach between all parties in India. It would provide the means of bringing even the Princes into the picture with the politicians of British India. Till now no discussion of this nature have taken place between the princes and British Indian politicians. It would also bring together Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah.

The need for such a 'liason' between Indian parties is regarded here as a first necessity towards the setting up of a Constituent Assembly and from reports current here, it would appear that the inauguration of such a body in the near future is likely.

CRIPPS ON TRADE MISSION?

Following the mention of Sir Stafford Cripps in these despatches yesterday comes a Karachi report credited to Sardar Ajaib Singh, a member of the Indian Industrial Delegation, just returned, that Sir Strafford Cripps may come to India next month to study British export prospects.

Inquiries made here reveal that such a visit for purely trade purposes is unlikely, since Sir Stafford is engaged in urgent home problems and a deputy might well fill such a role.

Informed circles, knowing Lord Wavell's independent turn of mind, dismiss the suggestion of such a visit especially at the present moment, since Indian opinion would justifiably label such a visit, if it took place, as political despite its official label of "purely a visit in his capacity as President of the Board of Trade."

Fate Of Pakistan Issue

Whether Lord Wavell will be given a free hand this time also to form his Government is a matter of policy, cables the political correspondent of the 'United Press of India.'

The Coalition policy as embodied in the Wavell Plan was based on an agreement between the Congress and the Muslim League and it was endorsed by the Labour Ministers in the Coalition Cabinet. Whether now they would change it to enable the Viceroy to form his own Government is not yet certain.

The preliminary discussions between Lord Wavell and Lord Pethick-Lawrence seem to have centred round some plan which will pave the way to a final solution of India's constitutional status.

Political circles are speculating as to the fate of the Pakistan issue. A certain number of ministers led by Sir Stafford Cripps are not averse to conceding the Pakistan claim of the Muslim League. Lord Wavell himself, whose approach is more military than political, is reported to be opposed to any division of India.

Probably the deciding voice in a long-term policy to India will be that of Mr. Bevin, Foreign Minister. It is not possible for him to devote much time to India with his preoccupations

But it is known that he is keenly interested in the solution of the Indian issue and that his word carries much weight in the Cabinet. Will he throw his weight on Lord Wavell's side?

By the middle of next week the Wavell-Lawrence talks are expected to assume more definite shape.

Resolution For Blackpool

While much speculation goes on about the Whitehall talks, British Labour is taking a definite step to clinch the issues.

A 'United Press of America' message says:—

During the forthcoming Trades' Union Congress which is scheduled to be held in Blackpool on September 6 and 7, the Tobacco Workers' Union, the oldest British Union and for many years a vehicle for Indian nationalist resolutions, will introduce Resolution Number 39.

The Resolution will assert: This Congress welcomes the release of Pandit Nehru and other political prisoners and expresses the hope that all difficulties will speedily be removed which stand in the way of the formation of a provisional Indian Government and the resumption of offices in the Provincial Governments by the majority national parties.

To this end it is necessary that full responsibility should be given to the members of the Viceroy's Council. The names forwarded by the Indian political parties should be accepted and not the Viceroy's nominees. They should have collective responsibility to the Legislature and the Viceroy should accept their advice on all matters and not use his veto or special power.

"Since the present proposals for associating Indian national parties with the administration are temporary, pending the drafting of a new Indian constitution, we demand the full recognition of India's claim to national independence and the rights of the Indian peoples to choose their own form of Government. There must be no attempt by the British Imperialists, under the excuse of alleged responsibility for protecting special interests, to obstruct the completely democratic working out by Indians of their own constitution."

With regard to the resolution 'United Press of America' correspondent, Harold Guard, learns that the Trades' Union Congress approached Percy Belcher, General Secretary of the Tobacco Workers Union, asking a withdrawal of Resolution Number 39 in view of the change in the British Government. The resolution apparently was drawn up prior to the organisation of the Labour Party Government).

However, the Tobacco workers decided not to withdraw the resolution which will be presented as scheduled by one of the delegates of the Tobacco workers, Miss Rose Carr, of London.

Upon receiving the decision of the Tobacco Workers not to withdraw the resolution Belcher received notification that he must attend the Standing Orders Committee of the Congress at which there will be important discussions revolving around the resolution.

'Fasbos' Will Save Cotton From Fire

ALEXANDRIA. (By Air Mail), Aug. 31 (Reuter): "Fasbos" which will save cotton from fire has been discovered by an Alexandria cotton export agency.

The agency has sent a letter to the Ministry of the Interior informing it of the discovery and stating that when this substance (composed with one of the products of the Imperial Chemical Industry), named "Fasbos", is spread on the sacking or any other material in which cotton bales are wrapped, the cotton becomes immune to fire.

This discovery will save thousands of cotton bales that are destroyed by fire every year either in depots or while being transported down the Nile to Alexandria.

Food Riots In France

PARIS, August 31. (U.P.A.): Food riots occurred near Rouen in Normandy to-day when protests by peasants against the activity of officials of the Government's Food Ministry resulted in scattered disorders.

At Saint Sever 400 farmers attacked the president of the Government's Meat Buying Commission and stripped the official of his clothing after setting fire to his automobile.

Two peasant leaders were arrested and their fellows to-night were threatening to storm the jail. The peasants objected to the effort of the Government to fix prices and to keep foodstuffs out of the black market.

N. M. JOSHI'S CABLE TO INDIA SECRETARY

Plea For Another Communal Award And Representation For Labour

NEW DELHI, August 31 (API):—Mr. N. M. Joshi, member of the Central Legislative Assembly, in a cable to the Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence, requests the British Government to act as arbitrators in the solution of the Indian problem and take decisions which in their judgment will be fair to all concerned.

The telegram says:—

"As consultation is taking place between Lord Wavell and the British Government, I urge upon them, firstly, that in any future consultations which may take place between representative Indians and the British Government or the Viceroy on the subject Indian political issue, Indian Labour should be adequately represented; secondly, in order that the Indian working classes and the other un-enfranchised classes should have adequate voice in the framing of the new constitution and in carrying on the interim governments, the next general elections to hte Central and Provincial Assemblies should be held on the basis of adult suffrage and for this purpose electoral rules should be suitably modified; thirdly, lack of agreement among different communities and parties should not any longer be considered as a ground for delaying grant of freedom.

Under the present circumstances complete agreement is impracticable; therefore, in case of disagreement the British Government should act as arbitrators and take decisions which in their judgment will be fair to all concerned.

FRANCO PLANS FOR MONARCHY

(From Our Correspondent.)
MADRID, August 31.

Most insistent rumours are circulating that an important announcement is forthcoming from the Government within fortnight. Although absolutely nothing by way of official confirmation is available the concensus of opinion in political circles in the capital seems that Gen. Franco and his advisers are engaged in a history-making decision concerning the air plans for the restoration of monarchy.

SPANISH PRETENDER NOT EAGER FOR THRONE!

LAUSANNE, August 31. (Reuter): There is absolutely no evidence here that Don Juan, pretender to the Spanish Throne, is preparing to return to Spain to lead a "coup d etat" against Gen. Franco as reports from overseas suggested, cables Michael Fry, Reuter's correspondent. Don Juan is still in Lausanne, and according to well-informed Monarchist and Republican sources, there is nothing to indicate that he is making preparation for departure.

EGYPT PLANS MERCHANT NAVY

CAIRO, August 31 (Reuter): Egypt is planning to have a Merchant Navy, announces Mahmud Shaker Pasha, Director-General of the Egyptian State Railways.

Shaker Pasha has discussed the project with Premier Mahmud-el-Nokrashy Pasha, the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Communications.

Orders for ships will be placed soon, declared Shaker Pasha.

Two Egyptian shipping companies Misr Shipping and Pharaonic Mail Line—are also planning to expand their fleets. Maritime training schools have also opened up at Alexandria and Port Said to train Egyptian boys for Seamanship.

Stabbing And Arrest

LAHORE, Aug. 31. (U.P.A.) An untoward incident took place yesterday resulting in the stabbing of one man and the arrest of another. It is stated that some youngmen sitting outside a mosque were cutting indecent jokes at the ladies going to a nearby temple on the occasion of the Janmastami Civic Guards posted there interferred and some volunteers from the temple came out. As a result of the trouble one man received a knife-blow and was removed to hospital. One person was arrested.

INDIA'S EXPORT PLANS

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, August 31

An important meeting of the Export Advisory Committee will be held on September 28 at Bombay to 'inter alia' consider the question of liberalising export control with particular reference to capturing Japanese market in Malaya, Siam and Dutch East Indies. The meeting will be also invited to express itself on Government's proposals for extending the sphere and activities of Trade Commissioners and for appointment of more Trade Commissioners particularly in Burma and France.

The Sugarcane Advisory Committee has recommended grant of over one lakh to Bengal for bringing more land under sugarcane in that province, I learn.

BRITAIN BROKE JAP DIPLOMATIC CODE?

Allied Officials Knew Nippon's Designs Before Pearl Harbour

WASHINGTON, August 31, (U.P.A.): One of the Allied nations, possibly Britain, broke the Japanese diplomatic code before Pearl Harbour so that high Allied officials were aware of the intentions of the Japanese Government prior to Pearl Harbour, John O'Donnell, chief correspondent of the New York "Daily News," said in a dispatch today.

The correspondent asserted that the United States after exchange with Britain decided to send a virtual ultimatum to Japan on November 26, a fortnight prior to the Pearl Harbour attack, and that this decision was made by the late President Roosevelt and not by his Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, as asserted elsewhere.

The correspondent said that the highest officials in Washington at the time were to blame for not keeping the Army and Navy commanders in Hawaii completely informed of the seriousness of the war threat.

Full Hearing For Pearl Harbour Commanders Demanded

WASHINGTON, August 31. (U.P.A.) The Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, Republican Andrew May, has issued a statement demanding that General Walter Short and Admiral Husband Kimmel, who commanded U. S. Forces in the Pearl Harbour disaster, be given full and complete hearing.

How Britain's Nation Income Footed War Expenses

WASHINGTON, August 31. (Reuter): Britain devoted a larger share of her national income to pay for the war than the United States, Russia or Dominions in the year 1940 to 1944. This applies to each of those years except 1943 when Canada and New Zealand, like Britain, each spent 54 per cent of their income on war.

This is revealed by a chart showing the war expenditure of the United Kingdom.

"SATARA VILLAGERS BEATEN BY POLICE"

Gadgil Quotes Report By England-Returned Resident In Reply To Govt. Communique

(From Our Correspondent).

POONA, August 30.—Mr. N. V. Gadgil, President of the Maharashtra P. C. C., has issued the following statement:

"As the Government of Bombay is issuing a 'communique', it is only proper and fair that the public at large should know something of the other side.

"I give below an extract from the report made to me in July, 1945, by a responsible man, who very recently has returned from England and who happens to be a resident of Bud, a village in Satara District.

The writer forwarded to me his report along with statements duly signed.

He states that the police think that the villagers in this area have been aiding a political absconder by name Kochare and in their attempt to force information, the police have done many things, some of which are given below:

FEBRUARY 1945: (1) Shivaram Konde aged 11, (2) Ganpati Konde, (3) Manikrao Jagdale, (4) Shivram Kochare and (5) Appaji Konde were seriously beaten.

MARCH 1945: The following six persons were called to the police station and five of them were given severe beating. Shankarrao Gaikwar was beaten with a stick. He is a simple 'punch' and a Third Class Magistrate. Others are Vishnu Sonar, Laxman Borate, Maruti Borate, Mahadev Balu, all these five were given serious beating. Bandopant was called to the police station but was not beaten.

APRIL 1945: Shankarrao Ingle was beaten severely by the police on his farm. Near the village stream Mrs. Sarubai Konde aged 17 was indecently handled by the police. She is the daughter-in-law of Shripati Konde.

MAY 1945: Mrs. Sonabai Borate and Mrs. Janabai Mali, both of about the age of 25 were roughly handled and beaten by the police after entering their homes and when their husbands were away in the fields. Hari Mali was forced to beat women at the threat of being beaten by police.

JUNE 1945: On June 16 the writer was at Bud. The police were in the village for inquiry. Krishna Ramoshi and Shankar Ramoshi were severely beaten by the police, many others were harassed.

JULY 1945: Following six persons were called to the 'chawdi' and taken in police custody. All of them are respectable citizens. Raghunath Bhagwode, Parushuram Tandulwadkar, Mohanlal Kothare, Gopala Khoth, Govind Borate and Yeshwant Judale. These six persons are either peasants or traders, and owing to plague most of the time they were away from the village.

The writer concludes: "Thus on the part of the authorities is yet another attempt to terrorise the people of Bud and the surrounding villages.

All these arrests and hundreds of others are under Rule 129 of the D.I.R. I have received several such reports. I have given just a typical one. I leave the public to judge and the future popular Government to take adequate steps to deal with those who have done wrong.

PATEL-PATWARDHAN TALKS ON SATARA

Rao Saheb Patwardhan met Sardar Patel this morning when important discussions, it is learnt, regarding the future line of action to be taken on Satara situation were held.

SATARA SITUATION

"Improvement Continues"

A Press Note issued by the Director of Information, Bombay, says: The improvement in conditions in the Satara District following the Government's measures to suppress terrorism continues. No incindent since August 12 has so far been reported.

Fuller inquiries, however, reveal that the attack on the Mang quarter at Saspade on the night of August 5 was more serious than was at first reported. Five houses were gutted, causing damage of about Rs. 3,300 and leaving the Mang inhabitants homeless and largely destitute.

Armed gangsters arrived at the house of Dhondi Bhau Mang about midnight and inquired about his sons, Kokya and Babu. Babu, who was in the house, was taken away but released after being beaten. Other persons sleeping in the house were also dragged out and beaten.

The gangsters searched the village for Kokya and another man, but could not find them. They, therefore, set fire to Dhondi Mang's house and the residences of other Mangs and belaboured some old men and women.

Seeing the blaze, the village watchman blew a bugle to raise the alarm. The villagers rushed to put out the fire, but were driven back by the gangsters, who assaulted some of them and fired gun-shots to intimidate the others.

MORE LIGHT ON SATARA SITUATION

(Continued from Previous Page.)

digging, opening libraries with nationalistic literature, public reading of newspapers and other items of general welfare are practised.

(20) CONGRESS MEMBERSRIP:—Observance of Congress days as per instructions of the Congress high command, maintenance of discipline and loyalty to the Congress. All these have become features of life to an extent which could not have been visualised in 1942. Satara District has become Congress-minded and naturally the old-rut Government officials do not like it.

When the members of the Congress Working Committee were recently released, the Congress underground workers celebrated the occasion with a huge procesion with bands playing and national flags hold aloft, ending in a meeting of thousands. The "Dictator" presided speeches were made and loyalty to the Congress pledged. The function lasted for hours.

These are the men whom ignorant and foolish persons have classed as "Common dacoits and murderers, guilty of fiendish cruelty."

It is quite possible that in working such a big programme a discrepancy may have arisen here or there or an abuse crept in to a corner undetected. But that is not what decides the characterisation of the movement of the estimate of the work done. The motive behind the work and the sum total of the vast achievement definitely places Satara District on a very high and creditable footing in India to-day. Every honest nationalist can justifiably be proud of Satara.

U. P. CONGRESS TAKES ACTION

Communists Committee And Secretary Suspended

LUCKNOW, August 31 (U.P.I.): It is understood that Mr. Srikrishna Dutt Paliwal, President, U. P. Provincial Congress Committee, has suspended the Harthras Town Congress Committee which was a preponminantly Communist body and instructed Mr. Shrichand Singhal, President of the Aligarh District Congress Committee, to form an "Ad Hoc" Committee.

It is also understood that Mr. Paliwal has suspended Dr. Z. A. Ahmed, a Communist leader, and asked him not to work as the Secretary of the U. P. Provincial Congress Committee, pending final decision by the Council of the U. P. Provincial Congress Committee.

It is stated that this action was taken against him as he "acted against the spirit and letter of the August resolution."

Jawahar At Allahabad

ALLAHABAD, August 31 (A.P.I.): Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru accompanied by Miss Mridulaben Sarabhai and his Private Secretary, Mr. Upadhaya, arrived here today from Delhi.

A guard of honour comprising of volunteers from the Kayastha Pathshala, Inter-College Social Service League, Allahabad, Students' Congress, Allahabad Students' Federation, Youth League and the College Union was presented to him at the railway station.

A large number of persons had collected at the railway premises to receive Pandit Nehru.

Cawnpore Reception For Nehru

CAWNPORE, August 31 (A.P.I.): A warm reception was accorded to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru when he passed through Cawnpore this morning 'en route' to Allahabad. A big crowd had collected at the Cawnpore Central Station to accord him a reception.

Pandit Nehru expressed his inability to address the gathering on account of a bad throat. The demand for autographs was so great that it took most of the time at the disposal of Panditji.

Some of the students made voluntary contributions in cash towards the Kamala Nehru Memorial Hospital Fund while requesting Pandit Nehru for an autograph.

Muslim M.L.A. Quits Congress

CALICUT, August 31 (A.P.I.): Mr. P. K. Moideen Kutty, M.L.A., (Congress) to-day resigned from the Congress and gave up the presidentship of the Kerala Provincial Congress Committee, the membership of A. P. C. C. and the A. I. C. C.

In the letter of resignation he states that for some time past he had been finding it difficult to see eye to eye with the Congress policy on certain important matters like the Pakistan issue and that he was convinced that a Congress-League settlement alone, under the present circumstances, could lead India to her cherished goal.

Prominent State Detenus Released

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, August 31: Mr. Uchharangrai Dhebar, prominet leader of Kathiawar, and Mr. Balwantrai Mehta, former Secretary, All-India States' Peoples' Conference, were released from Agency Jail yesterday evening. They were both detained under D.I.R. since August 1942. While in jail Mr. Dhebar lost his wife. A purse is being collected to be presented to Mr. Dhebar by people of Rajkot. The collection has exceeded Rs. 15,000.

Ahmedabad Congress House To Be Returned

AHMEDABAD, August 31 (A.P.I.): The acting Collector, Mr. Khan, has today written to Mr. Bhogilal Lala, Secretary of the Gujarat Provincial Congress Committee that the local Congress House would be returned tomorrow at 10 a.m.

Mr. Lala will take possession of the Congress House after performing the Flag Salutation ceremony.

Sind Govt. Restores Congress Property

KARACHI, August 31 (U.P.I.). The Government of Sind has passed orders for the restoration of the Congress properties, movable and immovable, to the owners. Similarly the Congress funds were released.

Khanna Arrives In Delhi

NEW DELHI, August 31 (A.P.I.): Mr. Jugal Kishore Khanna, General Secretary, Delhi Provincial Congress Committee, arrived here this morning after his release from the district jail, Ferozepur.

Mr. Khanna, who absconded in 1942 was arrested in October 1943 in the U. P. and detained under D.I.R.

Ex-Premier Of Orissa At Subhas' House

CALCUTTA, August 31 (U.P.I.): Mr. Biswanath Das, ex-Premier of Orissa, paid a visit to the house of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose last night and stayed there some time talking to the members of the Bose family.

Jinnah's Feverish Bid To Patch Up Sind League Differences

Muslim Ministers Out To Reduce Syed's Power In Parliamentary Board

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, August 31

With the arrival of Qaid-e-Azam Jinnah feverish activity in League circles is witnessed here for the last three days. Though Mr. Jinnah has been trying his level best to compound differences among the two rival groups, it is understood, he has not succeeded so far to achieve solidarity in League ranks.

A great tug-of-war raged between these rival groups over the ensuing Assembly elections in the presence of Mr. Jinnah when he had summoned for joint deliberations, the Premier, three remaining Muslim Ministers, Mr. G. M. Syed, President, Provincial Muslim League, Mr. Yusuf Haroon, M.L.A. (Central), K. B. Khuhro and a few other prominent leaders, but the meeting did not bring the contending parties any nearer solution, with the result that Mr. Jinnah is now meeting individually representatives of different groups. The main cause of trouble is as to which group of the Muslim League should be in power after the elections and for this purpose everyone is trying to get more League tickets for his supporters.

In order to achieve their object League ministers are trying their best to reduce the present majority of Mr. Syed's supporters in the Sind Muslim League Parliamentary Board which will nominate candidates and have, instead, a majority of their own members.

Though these questions will ordinarily be settled by the Provincial League yet Mr. Jinnah, in order not to lose Sind from the future citadel of Pakistan, has taken them in his own hands and all are now looking forward to his final decision.

League To Raise Election Fund In Bengal

CALCUTTA, August 31 (API): The Working Committee of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League, at its meeting to-day, appointed a committee with Sir Nazimuddin as President, to raise funds for the Provincial elections in accordance with the appeal issued by Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President, All-India Muslim League. Mr. Tamiuddin Khan, ex-Education Minister, Bengal, presided.

Back To League Fold

SHOLAPUR, August 31 (API): Sir Abdul Latif, member of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, and some other Muslims from Sholapur, have, it is understood, decided to rejoin the Muslim League. They had resigned from the Muslim League some time ago. The decision was taken at an informal meeting held at the Sir Abdul's residence.

LATEST PHOTO PLAYS

"HAMRAHI" RELEASED

New Theatres' latest contribution to the screen was released in Bombay, for the first time, last Thursday.

The story of the film is from the pen of the young Bengali writer, Jyotir Moy Roy. It deals with the emancipation of the masses and their struggle to achieve such an end. Thus it is entitled to being called a picture with a purpose. In its attempt to depict a sociological problem, it represents a wise departure from the average run of films seen in our picture houses.

The film has been directed by Bimal Roy who, in addition, prepared the scenario and was responsible for the photography. Two of Tagore's songs have been incorporated in the picture with the music of Raichand Boral.

"Hamrahi" brings several new comers to the screen—Radha Mohan Bhattacharya, Bimata Bose, Maya Bose and others.

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Premiere Of "Chhamia" At he West End

Protima Das Gupta's much heralded and eagerly awaited first venture into the production field, has at last been flashed on the screen. It is a record of this Bengali woman's versatility, for it reveals her as actress, producer and director.

The main role in the picture—that of a beggar girl who finds a place in Society—is played by Begum Para who took the hearts of many filmgoers by storm in "Chand" wherein she made her debut. The male lead is enacted by a newcomer —Arif. The picture also contains well-established favourites such as David, Dixit and Azuri.

The musical score of "Chhamia" was composed by Gyan Dutt, while all the songs, with one exception, were written by Pundit Indra.

This film is being circulated by Famous Release—distributors who have won for themselves a name for being associated with some of the Indian Screen's outstanding hits.

"BELSEN" ON THE SEAS

"Daily Mirror" Protests Against Conditions On Troopship

LONDON, August 31 (Reuter): Relations between London and Delhi obviously stand in need of adjustment, declares the "Daily Mirror" (which is widely read by servicemen) in an editorial to-day, commenting on reports of "foul conditions devoid of comfort and highly dangerous to health" under which British troops were forced to travel on a Malaya-bound troopship.

Declaring that the men on board nick-named the troopship "Belsen", the "Mirror" adds that on the question of responsibility the War Office in London states that all troopships in that area are administered by the Indian authorities.

"This is only another way of 'passing the buck'.

The Government in London is the ultimate authority and high officers appointed to the Indian services should be of such type that no scandal of this kind could occur. In the matter of lack of entertainment and canteen services the Indian administion was blamed, and perhaps deservedly, but this shifting of responsibility is poor comfort to those who have to suffer. While British soldiers remain in India the British War Office should look after them and surely sufficient authority resides in Whitehall to make further use of unsuitable troopships impossible."

HULL DENIES ARMY BOARD'S CHARGES

No Ultimatum Given To Japan Before Pearl Harbour

WASHINGTON, August 31 (Reuter): The State Department in Washington released tonight a letter from Mr. Cordell Hull, former United States Secretary of State, to Mr. Henry L. Stimson, Secretary for War, written in September last, in which Mr. Hull denied the allegation by the Army Board investigating the causes of the Pearl Harbour attack, that the final United States counter-proposal to Japan was "an ultimatum."

This letter is regarded as the only defence he planned in answer to the Board's statement.

Mr. Cordell Hull said that the document given to the Japanese on November 26, 1941 "did not constitute in any sense an ultimatum. The document contained a restatement of the principles which have long been basic in this country's foreign policy."

(The Army Board had described the document as an ultimatum and said that it touched the button on war).

Mr. Cordiel Hull emphasised that close contact was maintained during 1941 between the State Department and the War and Navy Departments. "At the meetings of the War Council on November 26 and November 28 I emphasised the critical nature of the relations of this country with Japan."

"I stated to the conference that there was practically no possibility of agreement being achieved with Japan that in my opinion the Japanese were likely to break out at any time with new acts of conquest. and that the matter of safeguarding our national security was in the hands of the Army and Navy", he said.

LONDON, August 31 (A.P.A.): The Soviet High Command announced last night that an additional 29.000 Japanese officers and men and two generals had surrendered to Soviet forces. Increasing the total bag to 579.000 officers and men and 111 generals.

The broadcast 'communique' heard by the Soviet monitor said that there were no substantial changes in the Far East.

THE INDIAN SCREEN

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Scenes from "Veer Kunal". (1) Kishore with Nila Nagini, (2) Nila Nagini and Shakir, (3) Kishore Sahu, (4) Kishore with Durga Khote, (5) Kishore with Sobhana Samarth, (6) Kishore again.

KISHORE SAHU—AN ARTISTE WITH INDIVIDUALITY

In "Kunwara Bap", Kishore Sahu abundantly proved his individuality by presenting a comedy wherein subtlety was the keynote, instead of the antiquated pranks indulged in by the majority of our screen comedians.

In "Raja", he made of the central figure—a 'crank'—a character of the heroic dimensions of Hugh Walpole's John Cornelius, a dreamer of dreams, a weaver of fancies, a whimsical, lovable creature.

HIS NEXT

Sahu's long-awaited "Veer Kunal", promises to be a unique historical film study of Ashoka and his times. The cast has been carefully picked by the young producer himself. Sobhana Samarth promises to bring charm, grace and experience to her role. Sahu's discovery, Nila Nagini, will make her debut in this film.

KISHORE—THE MAN.

To meet Kishore Sahu is an experience. For an artiste of his nature, he is strangely lacking in frills and furbelows, and carries with him an aura of tranquillity.

I was pleasantly surprised to discover that he is an impressionistic painter of considerable skill. Like himself, his work is very individualistic. I was particularly fascinated by his painting of Meera Bai.

Sahu is a lover of books—Shaw, Lin Yutang, Wilkie, Dickens, are all to be found on his shelves ranged together with splendid impartiality.

FLARE-UP IN HONGKONG HARBOUR

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had yet entered the city and for the present none will be allowed to.

The people accepted the Emperor's decision calmly however and those who committed suicide before the Imperial palace were mainly heads of extreme Imperialistic patriotic societies.

TREATED LIKE TOURISTS

In the great port of Yokohama, Reuter's Special Correspondent Joseph Laitin said, "occupation troops are being treated like tourists" with friendly interpreters everywhere offering their services.

The Japanese News Agency announced to-day that the Supreme Allied Commander, General MacArthur, is to move his headquarters to-morrow from Grand Hotel in Yokohama to the former residence of the Director of the Rising Sun Petrol Company.

While Admiral Mountbatten waits at his Kandy Headquarters for signal from General MacArthur which will allow him to take the surrender of South-East Asia from Count Terauchi at Singapore, the task of relieving Allied prisoners of war is going on as fast as possible.

100,000 ALLIED PRISONERS OF WAR

Michael MacDonagh, Reuter's Special Correspondent at S.E.A.C. Headquarters, reported to-day that there were 100 000 Allied prisoners of war in 150 camps in the territory under S.E.A.C. control. A small number are being flown to Burma daily and, according to the latest group to arrive, Allied flags are now flying over all camps in the Bangkok area. With Kandy as the co-ordination centre, relief bases are being set up in Calcutta, Cocos Islands and Rangoon, but with distances so immense and shipping and aircraft limited it may be long time before the last prisoner or internee is repatriated.

From Pacific Fleet Advanced Headquarters Jack Smith, Reuter's Special Correspondent, reported to-day that Rear-Admiral Whiting, Commander of the American Pacific Island base of Saipan had accepted the surrender of nearly 2,500 Japanese troops of Marcus Island, south-east of the Japanese mainland.

Lieut.-General Pah Sturdee, Commander of the Australian Forces in New Britain, New Ireland, New Guinea and the Solomons is expected to receive the surrender of 86.000 Japanese in those islands aboard a British aircraft carrier outside Rabaul, New Britain, next week, it was officially announced in Melbourne today.

OFFICIAL SURRENDER CEREMONY

WASHINGTON, August 3 (Reuter): It is expected that the Japanese surrender ceremony will take place on board the 45.000-ton American battleship 'Missouri' to-morrow at about 8-30 a.m. (I.S.T.).

It was announced at the White House this afternoon that word of definite time of the surrender was expected from Gen. MacArthur very soon.

Under the present plans, the ceremony will be broadcast direct from the battleship after which listeners will be switched back to the White House to hear a broadcast lasting nine minutes which President Truman plans to make to mark the ceremony which will make victory over Japan official.

After the President's speech additional scenes, will be broadcasted from the 'Missouri'.

NEWS AND VIEWS OF FILMS AND FILM PERSONALITIES

By *SARDI*

FAVOURITE PAIR

"Bharat Milap" and "Ram Rajya" revealed to us an ideal pair of screen lovers—Sobhana Samarth and Prem Adib. Once again these two stars are teamed together—this time in Jayant Films' "Urvashi". A great asset these two players share is restraint which is all too lacking amongst our celluloid celebrities.

Sobhana is described as portraying a 'lovable queen with suppressed emotional charm'. This is rather a pity, for it is this very suppression of emotion that makes the average Indian Screen love scene a nursery romance, the only substitute for a rocking horse being a balcony with flowers blooming all around and an artificial moon in the sky.

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MOONSHINE?

That irrepressible comedian Charlie has won for himself a unique place in our films. He seems to carry on through every kind of screen misadventure. His latest antics will be exhibited in Asiatic Pictures' "Chand Tara."

An old star will once again rise in the film—Swarnalata who keeps twinkling, sometimes brightly and sometimes dimly, in varying firmaments.

Manubhai Vyas has directed this Moon-Star picture. Gyan Dutt has looked after the music.

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SUPERLATIVE MONOPOLY

The Shree Vishnu Cinetone Company has completed its latest production—"Dev Kanya." The picture contains 10 songs by Shyam Sunder. Each of the songs is described, in a blurb, as being 'the best'. This indicates the general tone in our film industry wherein publicity officers are turning into laxicographers and giving new meanings to old words—particularly superlatives in which they exercise, as everybody knows, a peculiar monopoly.

OVER 1,300,000 HOMES DESTROYED IN TOKYO

LONDON, August 31 (Reuter): A force of sturdy little minesweepers will be the first British warships to sail down the Straits of Malacca since the ill-fated battleship "Prince of Wales" and heavy cruiser "Repulse" steamed to their doom at the hands of Japanese torpedo-bombers three and a half years ago.

With Penang and Sabang, keypoints commanding the northern entry to the Straits now under British control, mine-sweepers under the command of Captain Sivewright flying his flag in Pelorus are today starting the work of clearing a passage through minefields to Singapore through which the main body of the British East Indies fleet will follow.

Reuter's Correspondent at the Headquarters of the fleet reported last night that charts of Japanese minefields handed over by the Japanese envoys had now been interpreted and all instructions for their task had been given to the minesweeping force.

From Tokyo, Robert Reuben, Reu-

From Tokyo, Robert Reuben, Reuter's Special Correspondent who entered the Japanese Capital ahead of Allied troops reported that over 1,300,000 houses had been destroyed by Allied bombing. Only 370,000 were left habitable. He obtained his figures from the records of the official Japanese News Agency, which he examined personally. 2,210,000 homes were destroyed in the whole country.

There were 680,000 air raid casualties in Japan including 160.000 killed and 9.200.000 people were bombed out.

The population of Tokyo was reduced from about 6.700.000 to 1,400,000 as a consequence of Allied raids.

Nine hundred railway engines, 1,800 passenger carriages, 570 electric carriages and 8.000 goods trucks were destroyed and 1,600 railway passengers killed or wounded.

killed or wounded. Forty-four cities with a population of more than 100,000 were largely destroyed.

Stars & Stripes Flying

The Stars and Stripes is now flying over the Japanese naval base, Yokosuko near Tokyo, reported David Brown, Reuter's Special Correspondent.

What End Of Pacific War Saves To U. S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30 (Reuter). Mr. Harold Smith, United States Budget Bureau Director, announced to-night that the end of the Japanese War will mean a cut of 18,500,000,000 dollars (about 6,475 crore Rupees) in the budget estimates for the fiscal year which began last month.

MOUNTBATTEN FOR SINGAPORE

NEW YORK, August 31 (Reuter):— The Allies, and perhaps Admiral Mountbatten himself, expect to be in Singapore by September 5. This is indicated by a message broadcast by the Singapore radio from the Japanese headquarters for Admiral Mountbatten which was picked up here. It acknowledged Allied instructions "to make Government House, Singapore, ready for occupation by September 5".

KARACHI, August 31 (API): Dr. Tsiang and Dr. Li, members of the Chinese delegation who attended the San Francisco Conference, arrived in Karachi yesterday from the United Kingdom on their way back to China.

COMMUNISTS CLASH WITH CONGRESS WORKERS

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was acute tension among sections of the gathering. The meeting though purely a Congress function, being a public one and held in the labour area was largely attended by Communists and their sympathisers.

Congress volunteers and members of the Congress Dal were there to preserve order. A group of Communists, it is said, wanted to occupy a certain spot near the dais. The leader of the Dal requested them to occupy another place. This the Communist group refused to do and trouble ensued. Some volunteers received injuries and Dr. D. B. Kulkarni, the head of the F. Ward Seva Dal, received injuries. Peace was maintained till the second clash in which Congressmen were removed to the K. E. M. Hospital, out of whom three serious cases were detained for treatment and the rest allowed to go after their injuries were dressed.

The names of the three badly injured persons are Tukaram Vithal Shinde, a worker of the Rashtriya Girni Kamgar Sangh, M. S. Chelap, also of the R. G. K. S., and Congress Dal and K. A. Kulkarni, of the R. G. K. S. They have injuries on their heads. They were all unconscious when they were picked up by a fire-brigade ambulance and rushed to hospital.

Nine Communists were also badly injured, two rather seriously. Mr. P. B. Donde, Secretary of the Lorry Drivers' Union, was brutally mauled. His left ear-bone was fractured and his left eye was profusely bleeding and had swollen up to the size of an egg. The other Communist who was severely injured was D. R. Kondalkar. He sustained a fracture of the skull and was brought to hospital unconscious.

CONGRESS VERSION

The Congress version as stated by Dr. D. B. Kulkarni is: "Half an hour before the scheduled time the volunteers were arranged in a cordon to form the different enclosures. A group of Communists approached a batch of our volunteers armed with nailed lathis and stones. tried to argue with them. I was suddenly attacked and hammered on the head till I dropped down. Other volunteers came to my rescue. They were also beaten. Calm was, however, restored and the meeting started till the second unfortunate incident with so many casualties."

Dr. Kulkarni pointed out to the blood soaked bandages that swathed his head and said, "You can see it for yourself."

COMMUNIST VERSION

The Communist version as rendered by Mr. S. Y. Kolathkar was: "Shankarrao Deo, while speaking, attacked Stalin and the Communist Party. A Communist asked him why he was attacking the Communists. A skirmish then started in the course of which fighting ensued and injuries were sustained by both parties.

"Tension prevailed even before the meeting and there was an incident earlier when some people were injured", he said.

Some stray members of the two groups attacked each other on the roadside. One Congressman took shelter in Dr. D. K. Nadkarni's dispensary till he was rescued and taken home by the Police. His head was badly injured.

Barring the 28 casualties treated in the hospital the other injured persons who mostly received superficial injuries were treated and dressed up on the spot by doctors belonging to the respective camps.

MORE INJURED

The name of the other injured Congressmen are Yeshwant Sitaram Gad, Abdul Rehman, H. P. Shukla, Nana Subedar, K. M. Salvi, Ramakrishna Vithal Redkar, K. M. Kulkarni, Shridar Sudage. Nagin Kide Koya, Ramakrishna Sharma, S. S. Chavdankar, Sarjerao Saheb and Dhondu Ramu Kolvilkar, all workers, with the exception of Shukla and Salvi who are students.

The list of the injured Communists is: P. B. Donde, S. S. Chavdankar, Secretary of the Girni Kamgar Union, Imtehaz, organiser of the Seamen's Union, G. R. Sarmalkar, Shankar Savant Salvi, D. R. Kondulkar and another.

The police arrested some of the rioters.

SHANKARRAO DEO'S STATEMENT

BOMBAY, August 31 (API): Mr. Shankarrao Deo, member of the Congress Working Committee, in a statement referring to the incident at a meeting held here to-day which was addressed by him says:—

"Thousands of men and women were attentively and enthusiastically participating in the meeting. A handful of men from the audience occasionally raised Communist slogans. Repeatedly hundreds of voices from the audience and myself asked them to keep quiet. At a certain stage in the meeting these Communists started throwing stones and using 'lathis' which led to general confusion, in which, unfortunately the police also intervened.

"Men who prevent free expression of opinion and seek to disturb Congress meetings are undoubtedly enemies of democracy and therefore of the liberty of people. By violating freedom of speech neither the interests of the country nor the working classes are furthered in any way. In this meeting it was beyond dispute that the overwhelming majority of the audience was with the Congress and had come to hear the Congress point of view.

"The disturbers succeeded in their efforts because our people have not yet developed the necessary discipline. If only the audience would sit quiet and listen to the speaker and not get provoked by disrupters such mass meetings can never be broken.

"I would like to add one special word. Such disturbances will not be weaken the Congress resolve, they will, if anything, strengthen it to seek closer relations with the working classes."

TEXT OF DESAI-LIAQUAT PACT "RELEASED"

League Secretary Publishes "Confidential Proposals To Avoid Confusion"

NEW DELHI, August 31. (A.P.I.): Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, General Secretary of the All-India Muslim League in a statement explains the genesis of the so-called Desai-Liaquat Pact, and publishes the text of the proposals which, he says, Mr. Desai gave to him in confidence in the course of his talk last year.

Following is the text of the statement:—

I am informed that Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Leader of the Congress Party in the Central Legislative Assembly, has told the local Press of Bombay that the so-called Desai-Liaquat Pact cannot be published as I desired that it should remain confidential. As such, a statement by Mr. Desai is bound to create misunderstanding, I feel I must place all the facts before the public in this connection.

INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS

Mr. Desai met me after the last autumn session of the Central Legislative Assembly and we informally discussed the prevailing distressing conditions in the country, economic and otherwise, and the terrible hardships and plight of the people due to the situation that was created on account of the war. The war in Europe was raging in its full fury and there was no indication as to when it would end and it was the opinion of everyone that it will take at least two years after the termination of hostilities in Europe to bring the war to a successful conclusion against Japan. India was to be the main base of the Allies for military operations in the East against Japan, which meant greater sacrifices by the people of India and much greater hardships and privations than what they had been facing in the past.

It was recognised all round that the Government of India, with its present composition, was incapable of dealing effectively with the various problems which had arisen and were bound to arise in the future.

"STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL"

Mr. Desai in the course of the conversation asked me about the attitude of the Muslim League with regard to some 'interim' arrangement at the Centre and temporary reconstitution of the Governor-General's Executive Council in a manner which would secure for it the confidence of all the peoples so that it may be able to help them in their present plight and deal more effectively than what had been done in the past with the serious situation that was bound to arise in the future on account of the prolongation of the war. I explained to him the position in the light of the resolutions that were passed from time to time by the Muslim League in this connection and told him that my personal view was that if any proposals were made to ease the situation, the Muslim League was bound to give its very careful consideration to them as it had always done in the past, because the Muslim League had always been anxious to come to the rescue of the people and assist them in their sad plight and help the country in tiding over the difficult period ahead. Mr. Desai saw me again in Delhi in the beginning of January this year just as I was leaving on a tour of the Madras Presidency and showed me some proposals which had been drafted for the formation of an 'interim' Government at the centre, a copy of which he was good enough to give me and which was to be treated as strictly private and confidential, and on the basis of which he told me he was going to make an effort to bring about a change in the composition of the Government of India.

He told me his plan was to meet the Viceroy and Mr. Jinnah in this connection. I told him that in my personal opinion the proposals were such that they could be made a basis for discussion, but I did not see any prospect of his making any headway unless he could either get Mr. Gandhi to move in the matter personally or get his definite approval and open support for the move that he was making as Mr. Gandhi was the only person who could deliver the goods on behalf of the Congress in the absence of the Working Committee.

"MY INDIVIDUAL VIEW"

During my talks with Mr. Desai, which were purely of a personal nature, I made it absolutely clear to him that whatever I had said was my individual view and I was not speaking either on behalf of the Muslim League or anyone else. If and when Mr. Desai felt that he could speak with authority on behalf of the Congress, he would have to approach the President of the All India Muslim League who was the proper authority to entertain any proposals on behalf of the Muslim League. This is the history of these proposals which have been described in the press by various names such as Desai-Liaquat formula, Desai-Liaquat Pact and so on.

I have scrupulously respected the wishes of Mr. Desai and have treated the draft proposals as strictly private and confidential and have not shown them to anyone, but in view of the statement of Mr. Desai and the confusion that is being created, I feel that these proposals should be published. Hence I am releasing them to the press.

DESAI-LIAQUAT PACT

Following is the Desai-Liaquat pact:

The Congress and League agree that they will join forming an 'Interim' Government in the Centre. The composition of such Government will be on the following lines:

(A) Equal number of persons nominated by the Congress and the League in the Central Legislature. Persons nominated need not be members of the Central Legislature.

(B) Representatives of minorities (in particular Scheduled Castes and the Sikhs).

(C) The Commander-in-Chief.

The Government will be formed and function within the frame work of the existing Government of India Act. It is, however, understood that if the Cabinet cannot get a particular measure passed by the Legislative Assembly, they will not enforce the same by resort to any of the reserve powers of the Governor-General or the Viceroy. This will make them sufficiently independent of the Governor-General.

"FIRST STEP"

It is agreed between the Congress and the League that if such 'Interim' Government is formed, their first step would be to release the Working Committee members of the Congress.

The steps by which efforts would be made to achieve this end are at present indicated to take the following course:

On the basis of the above understanding some way should be found to get the Governor-General to make a proposal or a suggestion that he desires an Interim Government to be formed in the Centre on the agreement between the Congress and the League and when the Governor-General invites Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Desai either jointly or separately, the above proposals would be made desiring that they are prepared to join in forming the Government.

The next step would be to get the withdrawal of Section 93 in the Provinces and to form as soon as possible, Provincial Governments on the lines of a Coalition.

COLOSSAL RISE OF FOOD-PRICES

"Statesman's" Revelations

CALCUTTA, August 31 (API): The average increase in food prices in Calcutta is 343 per cent over the 1941 level and nearly 100 per cent above the 1944 level, according to a study published by the "Statesman" today.

"The family man in the city is hit hard", says the paper. "He has now to pay nearly four times as much for his daily food requirements as he did in 1941."

According to these figures, fish and meat now cost between four and five times the 1941 price. Vegetables show an increase of 500 per cent. The price of hen's eggs is 800 per cent above the 1941 figure. Tomatoes are sold today at an average of Rs. 2/4 a seer, against one anna in April, 1941.—A rise of 3,500 per cent.

The prices of 65 articles of foodstuffs and other essential articles, excluding textiles, were examined. Of these only five are rationed and the price of a few others is controlled.

MARGAO HOMAGE TO SUBHAS

MARGAO, Aug. 31. (A.P.I.) All schools and commercial establisements remained closed today in memory of Subhas Chandra Bose.

GREEK REGENTS MISSION TO LONDON

ATHENS, Aug. 31. (A.P.A.) Archbishop Damaskinos, the Greek regent will leave for London by plane on September 6, to confer with the British Government on Greek problems—especially the controversial issue of whether an election should precede a Plebiscite.

Since his visit will coincide with the Conference of foreign ministers in London, it is expected that he will raise the question of Greek National claims.

Damaskinos will also confer with King George of Greece whose opinions on Greek affairs will be considered.

CHIANG ENTERTAINS BRITISH GOVERNORS

CHUNGKING, Aug. 31. (Reuter). Sir Shenton Thomas, Sir Mark Young and Mr. Charles Smith, Governors of Malaya, Hongkong and North Borneo, respectively before Japanese occupation were received by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek at a tea party in Chungking yesterday. Sir Horace Seymour, British Ambassador, and General Carton de Wiart, personal representative of Prime Minister Attlee, were also present.

Report Of Indian Industrialists' Mission

LONDON, Aug. 31. (A.P.A.) A 1,300-word report on the results of the Indian Industrialists' Mission will be made public after the return by plane to India of Mr G. D. Birla, Mr. N. R. Sarkar and Dr. Lokanathan, the members of the Mission still in England.

"The mission in an exploratory sense was successful," said Dr. Lokanathan today.

Ex-Minister Relinquishes Title

KARACHI, August 31 (U.P.I.): Rao Sahib Gokuldas Nichaldas, former Hindu Minister, has renounced his title 'Rao Sahib' in obedience to the Hindu Mahasabha in the course of a letter to the Governor of Sind. Rao Sahib Gokuldas is a prominent member of the Mahasabha and contesting the Assembly election on the Mahasabha ticket.

U. S. CASUALTIES OVER MILLION

WASHINGTON, August 31 (Reuter): The latest announced casualties of the United States armed forces from the outbreak of war totalled 1.076.690, the U. S. Office of War Information reported to-day. This total includes: Dead 254.510; Wounded 651.233; Missing 41,955; and Prisoners of War 122.982.

WELLINGTON (New Zealand), Aug. 31 (Reuter): A series of earthquake shocks described as "fairly severe" were felt to-day in Hanmer.

British Court Martial For Bose's Men 'Invalid'

Azad Says Indian Nationals Entitled To Benefit Of International Law

SRINAGAR, Aug. 31 (U.P.A.): MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD, THE CONGRESS PRESIDENT, HAS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT.

"THE GOVERNMENT DECISION ABOUT THE PRISONERS OF COMMONLY KNOWN INDIAN NATIONAL ARMY WHILE RECOGNISING SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE LEADER OF THE ARMY SHOULD BE TRIED BY COURT MARTIAL AND LAW SHOULD TAKE ITS COURSE. THIS SOUNDS OMINOUS.

It is commonly believed that in spite of grave error and judgment these persons had no intention to embrace the Axis cause but were moved by patriotic motives. The circumstances in which they believed to have acted were extremely complex. Now that the war is over Indian sentiment and public opinion will in no case sanction the extreme penalty.

"I would not like to enter into intricacies on international law but according to legal opinion the question of their status as the British Indian subjects is not so simple and their trial by Court Martial would lack validity.

Inasmuch as the peculiar circumstances of these cases attract saving provisions of international law, their rights and privileges should be judged by higher moral and principles and international customs.

In any case it should not be forgotten that Indian sentiments and feelings in respect of the Indian National Army would in no case allow the extreme penalty meted out to those who were victims of the wholly unprecedented and unexpected circumstances and who acted with no motive other than that of patriotism.

"If combatant enemies receive the benefits of international law and custom, the nationals of the country under foreign rule are formally entitled to nothing less.

Germans Make Soap From Human Remains?

PARIS, August 30, (Reuter): The first team of French experts searching for Pacific war criminals will leave France tomorrow, August 313, by air for Indo-China. From there they will radiate into China and Japan. These officers will be followed by further teams later who will work in close conjunction with British war crimes detection experts at Calcutta.

The Frensh experts belong to an organisation directed by Colonel Gilbert Mantout, 38-year old French officer superintending Frances drive to bring minor war criminals to justice.

A well known German General, whose name cannot at present be disclosed, has been captured recently by the French in Germany and will shortly be brought to Paris for interrogation and trial.

Colonel Mantout alleged here today that the Germans made soap from the remains of murdered people in death camps.

At least 26 million persons were methodically exterminated in death camps between 1940 and the end of war in Europe, he said.

Backdoor Entry To Commons

Tories Trying Hard For Amery And Bracken

LONDON, August 31 (U.P.I.): Mr. Leopold Amery, formerly Secretary of State for India, is queuing up among other distinguished displaced Tories to find a backdoor entry to Parliament. His name is believed to have been on the list of some 30 lesser and greater lights of Toryism to be considered by the Bournemouth Conservative Party when selecting their candidate for the pending by-election.

Other names include Mr. Brenden Bracken. Mr. Walter Womersley, Mr. Duncan Sandys, Mr. Churchill's son-in-law, and Mr. Walter Elliot. It is reliably reported that Bournemouth Tories have decided in favour of Mr. Bracken.

The "Daily Herald" commenting on this under the title "They Fear the Call of the Sea" remarks: "Never has the fashionable resort of Bournemouth seen so much pushing and shoving with so much 'by your leave'."

Spurn Cash For Cigarettes

SPOKANE WASH, August 31 (U. P. A.): Mrs. Dorothy Taylor reported to the police that three young men accosted her as she was walking home from a movie late at night. They frisked her purse and pockets and returned her money, compact ration books, valuables—kept her cigarettes.

Edda Ciano Handed Over To Allies

Brought To Frontier But Not Surrendered To Italian Govt.

LONDON, August 30. (Reuter): Rome radio to-day said Edda Ciano was taken to the Italian frontier and surrendered to the Italian authorities to-day.

A later broadcast said that Edda Ciano had been handed over to the Allies, not to the Italian authorities, on reaching the Italian Frontier.

Reuter adds that Edda Ciano, Daughter of Mussolini, married the former Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, who was shot in January 1944, after a trial by a special court set up by Mussolini to deal with members of the Fascist Grand Council who earlier passed a vote of censure on the Duce.

Edda fled to Switzerland in January 1945. It was stated in June that if she returned to Italy she would not be placed on trial as a Fascist criminal.

Ceylon Colour Bar, Theme Of London Play

LONDON, August 31 (U.P.I.): Colour bar in Ceylon is the theme of "Myself, a Stranger", a new play produced last night at the Embassy Theatre, London.

The play deals with the problems of mixed-blooded individuals who find themselves in a racial no-man's-land between equally hostile opposites. Not only is an ex-Cambridge lawyer banned from European clubs but a semi-Singalese houseboy—as a reverse of the same picture—is murdered by a village family determined to preserve pure Singalese blood of their daughter "from race pollution."

The authors, Mr. Hugh Burden and his mother Mrs. Caro Burden, tackle the problem sincerely and justly.

BIRTH OF ATOM BOMB

Experiment Which Has Revolutionised History

ALIGARH, August 30 (A.P.I.)—Dr. Rafi Ahmed Choudhry, Professor of Physics, Aligarh University, has been invited by Prof. Oliphant, Director of Research, Birmingham University, to work on the latest aspect of cosmic rays and atomic disintegration.

Dr. Choudhry said: "All through my work, I have remained in touch with Prof. Oliphant. A good deal of my work, although in possession of Prof. Oliphant, has remained unpublished due to war. My latest is the invention of a new wireless valve, details of which were sent to Prof. Oliphant last April."

WASHINGTON (U.P.A.)—The rain had stopped and the quiet of the New Mexico desert wilderness was broken only by the occasional rumble of a diminishing electrical storm.

The delay caused by pouring rains was ended. The time was fast approaching for the first test of the atomic bomb, fruit of man's long and audacious fight to harness the basic energy of the universe.

The time was 4 p.m. July 16. The place, a remote section of the army's Almagordo air base 120 miles southeast of Albuquerque.

Quietly, but with an air of tense expectation, a group of picked scientists began their work.

From a steel tower built on the desert waste they suspended the atomic bomb—an object representing a $2,000,000,000 (B) investment and years of tireless work by the keenest scientific brains that the United States and Britain could gather together.

There had been moments of nerve-wracking delay while the bomb itself was being assembled. The parts had been machine tooled down to the finest measurement; yet, when the experts tried to insert a vital piece, it jammed and refused to move.

Dr. R. F. Bacher of Cornell University refused to be dismayed. Time, he said, will solve the problem. And sure enough, three minutes later the balky piece slipped into place and the atomic bomb was completed.

After the bomb was suspended from the tower, the scientists divided into two groups to await the zero hour, 5-30 a.m. One group huddled in a timber and earth observation shelter almost six miles south of the Tower. The other group was in an observation post 10 miles away.

Dr. K. T. Bainbridge of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who was in charge of detonation, and a lieutenant of military police were the last to inspect the bomb.

TENSE WAIT

When all was set, the various observation points were tied together in a radio circuit and Dr. S. K. Allison of Chicago University began making periodic time announcements.

"Minus 20 minutes," he called.

The assembled scientists waited, tensely. Would their experiment prove a success and bring with it a promise of a shorter war and later a further life for mankind?

"Minus 15 minutes," Dr. Allison announced.

Or would it prove so violent a blast as to mean an uncontrollable and unusable weapon?

The minutes dragged by. Finally, after interminable waiting Dr. Allison's voice said: "Minus 45 seconds."

ROBOT TAKES OVER

Now a robot mechanism took over and from this point on the intricate mechanism was in operation without human control.

The last 45 seconds seemed days in length. But suddenly the waiting was ended by an explosion such as no human being had ever before witnessed.

A blinding flashlike sunlight enveloped the area. A vast multi-coloured cloud billowed skyward with surging power and boiled to an altitude of more than 40,000 feet in five minutes.

The steel tower? It was no more. The titanic explosion had vaporised it completely. Where it had stood was only a sloping crater.

The test was over, the bomb was a success. The atomic age had been ushered in for mankind at 5-30 a.m., July 16.

Atom Bomb On Transport Operation

Under the auspices of Lease-Land Operators Association a gathering of Transport Operators of this Province was held at Greens' Hotel, Bombay

Mr. Rajpal pointed out that the Transport is really a vital public service and the Rail-Road question cannot be left to solve itself, regardless of the interest of the community. Similar Schemes were also sponsored in foreign countries and there too Government had to meet with great opposition.

India was in its infancy so far transport is concerned but the proposed Scheme was being rushed through with an atomic bomb speed, without inviting public opinion, which is bound to cause disastrous effect.

In view of the forthcoming elections, it would be unwise on the part of Bombay Government to continue in their Rail Road Activities. The head of the Transport Authority and the Railway Officer who were strenuously touring in Districts, should now take a little rest at home

It was resolved to form a Central Committee consisting of representatives of all unions and Associations in Bombay Province to deal with the subject more comprehensively in light of the present events.

ASSAM TEA LABOUR'S CONTRIBUTION TO VICTORY

Construction Of Vital Roads And Airfields

Dwelling in the valleys of Assam are thousands of Indian labourers who have made vital contribution to the victory which the world is celebrating to-day.

At a time when Japan was threatening to invade India a large number of these workers was called upon for the construction of vital roads and airfields in Assam. In 1942-43 a special "Shadow Labour Force" was created and made available from the Tea Estates of Assam and Bengal. This enabled the gardens not only to continue supplying large contingents of labour to an increased number of defence projects but also ensured that the contingents supplied would consist mainly of settled labour already insured to conditions in the Province, leaving newly imported labour to accustom itself to the more suitable and comfortable conditions of garden life. To create this Force, labour was recruited intensively from outside the Province in area-s which normally send labour to Tea Districts.

This Force provided a large proportion of the labour required for the construction of the Manipur and Ledo Roads and for almost every airfield and major project in Assam. The advance guard of the Force in early March 1942 consisted of one planter and 100 labourers from his own Estate. By the end of March 1942 the total at Manipur Road was 28,500 men, and in October 1942 the Force numbered over 82,000.

HELP TO BURMA REFUGEES

The exodus from Burma in the spring and summer of 1942 produced the first of many emergency calls on the tea industry for labour. Every effort of the industry would have been in vain if the workers themselves had not co-operated willingly. Time and again volunteers were called to assist in road and aerodrome building, often far away from their homes, and the labourers' response was always immediate. Their work has been appreciated by Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck. In a recent message to the Indian Tea Association he said: "They have worked cheerfully and well under the most trying conditions and have contributed very materially to our success in Burma."

In the early part of 1941 th Tea Garden labourers rendered valuable assistance to the stream of refugees from Burma. They acted in the unfamiliar role of porters and stretcher bearers under the most appalling conditions, and on one route volunteer gangs of garden labour maintained porterage and stretcher services when all other forms of labour had broken down or had become exhausted. To quote the annual report on the working of the Tea Districts Emigrant Labour Act for the year 1942-43, "The service and sacrifice given and made by the industry in this connection has earned the praise of the Military Commanders in Assam and the gratitude of a large number of humble wayfarers who travelled to safety over roads and tracks made by the tea garden labourers with few mechanical aids."

Reports have also been received about the exemplary behaviour of labour force under the stress of air raids at the end of October 1942. In spite of the fact that there were a few casualties among the tea garden labourers there was no sign of panic and no attempt to leave the area. After the raids a large proportion was willing to return to work.

THE W. A. C.S.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

In 1942 when the Japanese threat loomed over India a call went out to the women of India to stand with their men in the defence of their homes. From all over the land women of every nationality rallied to that summons. Indians, Anglo-Indians and Europeans, under the leadership of Lady James, organised themselves into an efficient auxiliary service which in time grew to be what it now is—the Women's Auxiliary Corps (India).

The WAC(I)s have stood the test, and come out with flying colours. Through the worst years of the war, under conditions that could not pertain in any European country, they have worked doggedly on to the day of final victory.

WAC(I)s were stationed in lonely scattered regions in semi-jungle and desert borderlands, isolated from society, but worked gamely on. One found them in Assam and Chittagong, Cochin and Quetta as well as the Deccan and among the foot hills of the Himalayas. Above all there was always the threat of diseases like cholera, malaria and dysentery.

The WAC(I)s have made History in several spheres. For the first time girls from sheltered Indian homes, casting off the prejudices of centuries, came forward to work in the company of men. In many districts they wore their burqas to work. They are the pioneers of a new age. Their ability and efficiency have won them the respect of all those who have worked with them. They have answered the call of their country and proved irrefutably their worth.

Then again these volunteers of India's womanhood attempted and succeeded in doing what was never considered to be a woman's work in this part of the world. The W.A.C.(I)s have electricians, skilled mechanics and radiographers in their ranks, not to mention the vast network which maintains India's communications. Members of her Naval and R.A.F. Wing have mastered the secrets of certain operational and tactical methods. In the War Rooms WAC(I)s plotted the day-to-day phases of war.

As the WAC(I) combines the three services equivalent to the WRNS, ATS and WAAF, the Naval Wing has come to be known as the Women's Royal Indian Naval Service and a distinctive white uniform in summer and "Blues" in winter are worn. Thus it has been possible for the first time in Indian history for a woman to wear the badge and gold lace of the Royal Navy.

Again the WAC(I) are unique in having women from nearly every part of the world united together in a common cause. Not only are all the castes and creeds of India represented, and neighbouring countries like Burma, Malaya, Ceylon, Java and China, but serving side by side with their Asiatic sisters are girls from Britain, Russia, Canada, Australia and several European countries.

Despite the differences of culture and outlook, these women formed a union of loyalty and service to a common cause. They played their part as individuals in a great team.

DIETRICH ARRESTED

HAMBURG, August 30. (Reuter): Dietrich, former Reich Press Chief, has been arrested in the British zone and is awaiting interrogation. Dietrich surrendered in the Hamburg area after wandering round for three months and becoming tired of being hunted.

Individual Recoveries With Firm Tone In Wall Street

Mills Price-Fixing In Near Months In New York Cotton Exchange

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.

Wall Street opened steady but quiet. Mixed tendencies persisted with buyers and sellers exhibiting considerable timidity.

Many sidelined in view of the long weekend while others trimmed accounts anticipating correction.

Dividends and earnings and business optimism aided favourities. Many leaders continued to drift to lower territory. The bullish contingencies were encouraged by the fact that offerings were not urgent. Individual recoveries appeared lowest the close in more active dealings and the market closed firm.

American Telephone 181-1/8 (181), Amerex Corpn 30-5/8 (30-5/8), Anaconda Copper 33-1/8 Exdiv (33-3/8), Chase National 40-7/8 (40-7/8), Consolidated Oil 15-3/4 (15-3/4), Firestone Tyre 62 (61-1/2), General Electric 47-1/8 (47), General Motors 71 (70-1/2), Ingersol Rand 117 (116), International Nickel 33-1/4 (33 Exdiv.), National City Bank 43-1/4 (43), New York Central 24-7/8 (24-3/4), Socony Vacuum Corpn 16 (15-3/4), Texas Corporation 52 (52-1/2), Union Carbon 95-1/4 (94-3/4), U.S. Smelting 65-1/4 (63), U. S. Steel 70-7/8 (69-3/4), Western Union 47 (47).

COTTON MARKET STEADY

New York Cotton Market opened steady. The opening gains were later extended on mill buying in near months presumbly price fixing. Otherwise the market was featureless with trading restricted by the approach of the extended weekend holidays. Meanwhile hotter weather news, no improvement in spot markets and the ever present reconversion uncertainties offset bullish activities. Governments September selling price is unchanged at 23 12. Latterly prices ruled firm on local covering and in sympathy with grains together with routine trade buying and scarcity of contracts. Otherwise the market continued quiet and featureless and closed very steady.

CHICAGO GRAINS MARKET

Chicago grains were featured by a sharp advance in rye reflecting a five cwts rise in the Winnipeg market attributed to a tightening in the supply situation in Canada and reports that the foreign economic administration is permitting exportation of one million bushels of domestic rye by private interest. However ideal weather checked buying interest in maize.

September 1.65-3/8 to 1.65-3/8 (1.64-5/8 to 1.64-5/8)

December 1.64-3/8 to 1.64-1/2 (1.64-5/8 to 1.63-3/4).

May 1.62-5/8 to 1.62-3/4 (1.62-1/8 1.62-1/4).

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, August 30.

October	22.68+13
December	22.68+11
January	22.62+11
March	22.61+10
May	22.54+09
July	22.11+08
October	21.04+10
Middling Spot	23.12+14

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
New York, August 30.

October	22.61-09
December	22.67+09
January	unquoted
March	22.62+10
May	22.54+07
July	22.12+07
Middling Spot	22.20+10

NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL.
New York, August 30

October	22.62
December	22.64
March	22.56

LONDON BULLION.
London, August 30.

Spot 25.1/2 Forward 25-1/2. Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8/12/3.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Aug. 31.

The local cotton market opened today at Rs. 411 for January delivery and declined to Rs. 407 under moderate selling. Later on there was moderate support and January rallied to Rs. 409, September delivery also after declining to Rs. 350, steadied at Rs. 351.

Cotton prices having reached the floor level, the Government is buying but very few lots are passing the Government test. This means that most of the inferior cotton will be left over in the market and this may prove burdensome in view of usual differences between old and new crop quotations. This may lead to some tired liquidation in new crop months in the near future. The market finally closed at 8 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C.	September	350	8 0
I.C.C.	January	410	8 0
I.C.C.	March	418	8 0

GOLD & SILVER

The Bullion Exchange was officially closed to-day but some private business was reported.

At the start forward gold was quoted at Rs. 74/8 and under increased selling from some professional operators, quotation was marked down to Rs. 73/10.

At the decline there was renewed buying and forward gold improved at Rs. 74. The market steadied at this level.

Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 128/8 to Rs. 124/8. Ready gold was placed at Rs. 74/10.

The silver clearing as announced before started yesterday and all the members have issued their Kaplis and it is generally believed that the amount involved is heavy but each member would fully meet his responsibility.

Hapur Quotations

HAPUR, Aug. 31.

Bullion market steady on all round speculative support nervous coverings by bears forced sharp gain yesterday Silver Touched 124 Now 122/12 Gold 73 Guwar Maha 5/11/1-1/2 Bardana Ready 53 to 54 Asuj 52/12 Mangser 51/12 Wheat 10/4 Peas New 8/3 Old 6-12 Bejhar 9/2/3 Arhar New 7/2 Old 6/8 Urad 14 Moong 11 Massor 10 markets quiet Gur 10 Jaggery Powder 11/8 Stocks Wheat 28 Peas 93 Arhar 84 Bejhar 5 Khattis.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, Aug. 31.

Cocoanuts Raw 65 Dry 85 Cocoanut Oil 315 Copra Office 205 Dilpasand 222/8 Madrasnottam 235 Goodgoods 227/8 Pepper Wynaad 340 Country 330 Dryginger Chernad 250 Ernad 240 Coffee Robusta 90.

LONDON EXCHANGES.
London, August 30.

T. T. London on:—

New York sellers 4.02 1/2, buyers 4.03-1/2 Madrid official 44.00, Montreal sellers 4.43, buyers 4.47, Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

	£
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p.c.	73-3/4
Consols 2-1/2 p.c.	88-3/4
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1961	105.11/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p.c.	104-3/8
Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90	114-5/8
Victory Bonds 4 p.c.	113-7/16
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	11-15/16
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	95-1/2
National Bank of India	42

JAIN TEMPLE OUTRAGE

Plea For Deterrent Punishment

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. Lalchand Nemchand Prabhaspatanwala, has sent the following telegram to the Maharaja Saheb of Bhavnagar: Express my deep regret and strongly protest against crime committed by goondas destroying our idols at Talaja Jain Temples. Institute inquiries, arrest culprits and impose deterrent sentences to stop recurrence of such crimes.

FACTORIES INSURANCE SCHEME ENDS

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. J. W. T. Leith, Secretary, Government of India War Risks Insurance Alvisory Committee, has received telegraphic information from the Government of India that their factories scheme terminates today and Government Agents should issue no policies effective on or after this date.

Government also announce that their goods scheme will terminate on October 1, 1945.

Mrs. Hirlekar's Speech

Mrs Yamuna Hirlekar writes to say that her speech at the student's meeting held on 21st instant to protest against the "Matriculation Massacre" was wrongly reported in the "Chronicle" that she spoke in Marathi and the expression "Surreptitious Change" attributed to her was not at all the correct representation of her views.

Mogaveera Yuvaka Sangha Anniversary

The eleventh anniversary of the Mogaveera Yuvaka Sangha was celebrated at the C. J. Hall. Mr. R. K. Karanjia presided.

Mr. V. A. Salian gave brief report of the activities of the Sangha which included the combating of social evils.

Mr. R. K. Karanjia commended the Institution's various activities and expressed the hope that the general public would co-operate with the Sangha in its uphill task.

Karachi Cotton

KARACHI, Aug. 31.

Cotton ready Sind Desi 39/4, Punjab Desi 24/12, Sind Nt. 44/16, Four F. 51/12, January 41/16 March 42/12, the market eased down in sympathy to the lower Bombay and easiness of Gold ready business totalled 1800. Arrivals 1110, Exports 756 Bales Gold Tuesday Delivery 42/11.

Egyptian Cotton

ALEXANDRIA, (By Airmail) August 31. (Reuter).

During July, Egypt exported 84,366 bales of cotton, of which India took 13,361. France was the largest importer with 56,140, followed by Britain with 9,397. The United States imported 5,468 bales.

The greater part of the exported cotton was Karnak.

A report by the economic research office here states that India is asking for Giza cotton, while France which has imported 100,000 bales in recent months, also wished to take more.

A Tranvancore Gazette announcement intimates the award of the Ph.D. degree to Prof. M. V. Kesavarao, in electrical engineering on the merits of his thesis entitled 'Pole-face losses due to open slots in high-speed electrical machinery.'

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SENTENCED FOR PROFITEERING.

For profiteering in gas-coke, ALADIN KALYAN, Manager of Shop No. 8, Adamji Peerbhoy Market, Dhobi Talao, has been convicted and sentenced to 7 days' simple imprisonment and fined Rs. 100.

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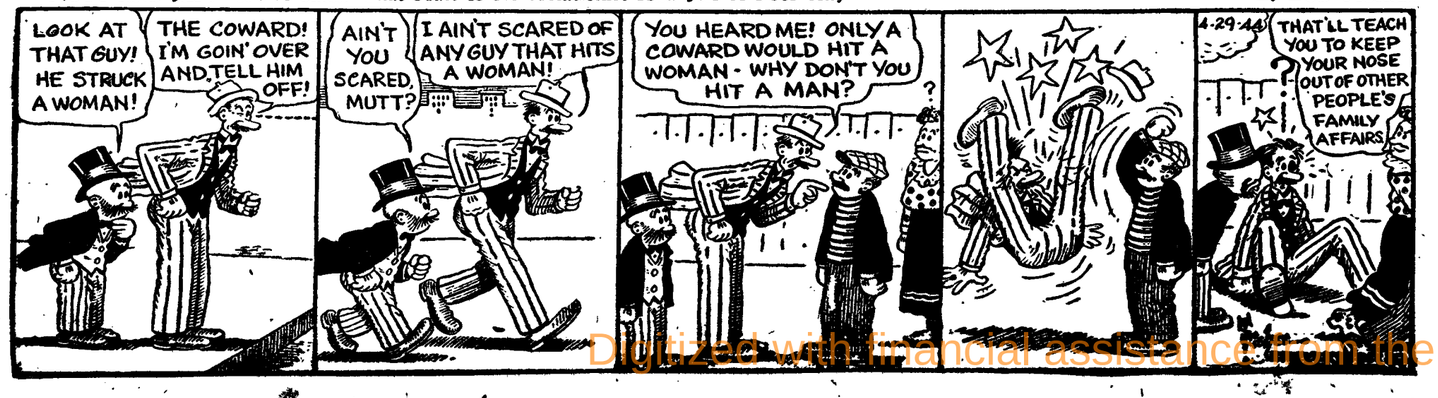
MUTT AND JEFF—It's A Cinch That Mutt Is No Isolationist And Jeff A Poor Ally — By BUD FISHER


LOOK AT THAT GUY! HE STRUCK A WOMAN!
THE COWARD! I'M GOIN' OVER AND TELL HIM OFF!
AIN'T YOU SCARED, MUTT?
I AIN'T SCARED OF ANY GUY THAT HITS A WOMAN!
YOU HEARD ME! ONLY A COWARD WOULD HIT A WOMAN - WHY DON'T YOU HIT A MAN?
4-29-44
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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND.

APPLICATIONS are invited by 15-10-1945 for post of (i) PROFESSOR OF APPLIED MECHANICS, (ii) TWO LECTURERS IN APPLIED MECHANICS AND (iii) LECTURER IN MATHEMATICS, College of Engineering, Poona. PAY—Rs. 300-900 for (i) and Rs. 170-500 for (ii) and (iii), PLUS war allowance. AGE—Between 23 and 30 on 1-12-1945. Upper age limit relaxable. QUALIFICATIONS—For post (i): Good degree in Civil Engineering of a recognised University, ordinarily five years' experience in a responsible capacity in connection with design and construction of large engineering works and Corporate Membership of a recognised professional institution. For post (ii) Good degree in Engineering of a recognised University, ordinarily three years' experience, and preferably teaching experience. For post (iii) Good degree in Applied Mathematics of a recognised University preferably with Engineering and teaching experience. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1 payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission" who will supply full details on request. (4630)

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Wanted a GRADUATE with optional subject of Marathi or Gujarati and preferably literary experience for a temporary post of Social Worker in the scale of Rs. 75-5-115 plus such Dearness Allowance as may be admissible. Applications should be submitted in writing only to Labour Officer, Bombay, i|c. Labour Welfare Department, DeLisle Road, Bombay, on or before 10th September, 1945.

N. A. MEHRBAN,
Labour Officer, Bombay.
Bombay, 30th August, 1945. 4631

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
I. C. No. 24 of 1945.
In the matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913,
and
In the matter of "DHARSI NANJI & CO. LTD.", a Registered Company, having its Office at Surat Street, Dana Bunder, Bombay.
KHIMJI SHAMJI .. Petitioner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a petition for the winding up of the abovenamed Company by this Hon'ble Court was on the 9th day of March, 1945, presented to the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers by the petitioner abovenamed AND that the said petition is directed to be heard before the said Chamber Judge on the 28th day of September 1945 and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to oppose the making of an order for the winding up of the said Company under the above Act should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for that purpose and a copy of the petition will be furnished to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

Dated this 27th day of August, 1945.

DAPHTARY FERREIRA & DIVAN,
Petitioner's Attorneys. 4628

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 70TH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Standard Building, Fort, Bombay, on THURSDAY, the 20th September, 1945, at 3-0 p. m. (N.S.T.) for the transaction of the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1945.
2. To declare dividends.
3. To elect two Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.
4. To elect a Director in place of Mr. E. B. Ghasvala who was appointed under Article 98 as additional Director to hold the office until this Ordinary General Meeting but being eligible offers himself for re-election.
5. To confirm the donations.
6. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
7. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting by the Chairman.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 7th September 1945 to FRIDAY, the 21st September, 1945 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MORARKA & CO.,
Agents.
Bombay, 22nd August, 1945.

N.B.—Dividend Warrants will be posted in due course to the registered addresses of the shareholders. Change of address, if any, should be notified without delay, on receipt of this notice.

The Dividend, if sanctioned, will be made payable on and after the 24th September, 1945, at the Registered Office of the Company to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 7th September, 1945. Sholapoor shareholders will be paid at Sholapur as usual.

To

THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE SHOLAPOOR SPG. & WVG. CO. LTD., AND IN PARTICULAR TO:—

John Hankinson, Miss Marrion Isabelle Gordon Hutchinson, Mrs. Mabel Rivett Carnac, Bhimji Rughnath Mehta, Chhabildas Raghunathdas Katkoria, Chamanlal Abhechand Maniar, Dharamdas Jadavji, Indulal Bapalal, Laxmidas Manmohandas, Mrs. Prabhavati Kanji, Laxmidas Vasanji, Manmohandas Harakchand, Mangaldas Jadavji, Mulchand Gordhan, Pranlal Narandas, Rikhabdas Ratanji, Rasiklal Amratlal Doshi, Shah Parbhudas Tribhovandas, Somchand Mulchand, Trikumji Juthabhai, Y. M. Mehta, Malukchand Gangaram, Manohar Shripad Akalkotkar, Bai Savita Thakorlal, Panalal Hiralal Lahoti, Rani Laxmibai, Baldev Tulsiram, Maganlal Chunilal, Doshi Keval Ugarchand, Dulabji Naranji Vora, Fulbai (wife of Amichand Devchand), Govindprasad Bhavaniprasad Dubey, Hiralal Motichand Gandhi, Vinayak Bansilal, Vasudev Dattatraya Hirakar, Jimibai, Anant Narhar Mahajan, Jamnadas Bhurabhai Choksi, Gunvantrai G. Mazumdar, Hasmukhlal Dhanjibhai Jhaveri, Manibhai Vasanji Desai, Sumankumar Manilal Javeri, Raghunath Balkrishna Chandrachud, Harjivandas Parmanand Seth, Puranmal Surajmal Lahoti, Ramgopal Mutharalal Rathi, Trikamlal Purshottamdas Dalal, Thakar Keshavlal Chhotalal, Pandurang Vithal Hardikar, Anandibai Hardikar, Mrs. Narges A. Mirza, Ajeetlal Devidas, Harkisondas Jamnadas, Jaivalbai Liladhar, Rukmanibai Fulchand, Bai Parbatibai, D. B. Motilal Balmukand Mutha, Chandulal Kalidas Vaidya, Mangaldas Somchand Seth, Narbheram Jhaverchand, Subhkaran Surana. (4632)

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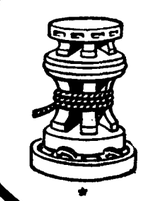

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2 **Size:** *Finished designs only should be submitted. "Entries may only be submitted in one or two sizes, namely (1) 20 inches wide by 10 inches deep intended for reproduction 240 inches wide by 120 inches deep or (2) 6 2|3 inches wide by 10 inches deep intended for reproduction 80 inches wide by 120 inches deep. No other sizes will be considered." Designs must be suitable for reproduction by sign-painters working in oil paint. The name and address of the artist must be marked in block letters on the back of each entry.*

3 **Closing date:** *Entries must reach General Advertising Agency (India) Ltd., 37, Chowringhee, Cal., on or before 31st Oct., 1945.*

4 *PRIZES will be awarded on the decision of judges selected by The Imperial Tobacco Co. of India Ltd. The decision of the judges will be final. The result of the competition will be published in this newspaper as soon after the closing date as possible. Any entry not awarded a prize may be purchased by The Imperial Tobacco Co. of India Ltd. at the usual market rates.*

5 *Prize-winning entries and any other entries purchased by The Imperial Tobacco Co. of India Ltd. will automatically become the sole property of that Company. All other entries will be returned by ordinary post to the name and address marked thereon.*

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